



CRAWFORD COUNTY AVALANCHE

Thursday, April 25, 1996

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Deal could end threat of lawsuit

By Terry Wright
News Editor

The three-year controversy surrounding the expansion of the City Environmental Services Inc. of Waters (CESW), landfill may be coming to a rapid end.

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners will meet in open session in the county courthouse on Thursday, April 25, at 7 p.m., to vote on an agreement, which would be the first step in allowing CESW to expand the number of counties from which it can accept trash at its Maple Forest Township landfill.

Representatives of CESW have consistently said that the landfill must be able to accept more trash in order to remain profitable, but three previous amendments to the county's solid waste plan allowing expansion were rejected. The last rejection caused CESW to file suit in Ontonagon County Circuit Court, for \$22 million, alleging breach of contract.

Crawford County filed a countersuit asking for penalties of up to \$10,000 per day for violations of the county's solid waste plan.

The latest agreement is a compromise effort that would allow both sides to drop their suits once a new amendment is passed by the county, the City of Grayling and the six townships.

The commissioners, after working with CESW through the winter to form an acceptable agreement, are expected to pass it unanimously and send their recommendation on to the Crawford County Solid Waste Planning Committee.

Crawford County Commission

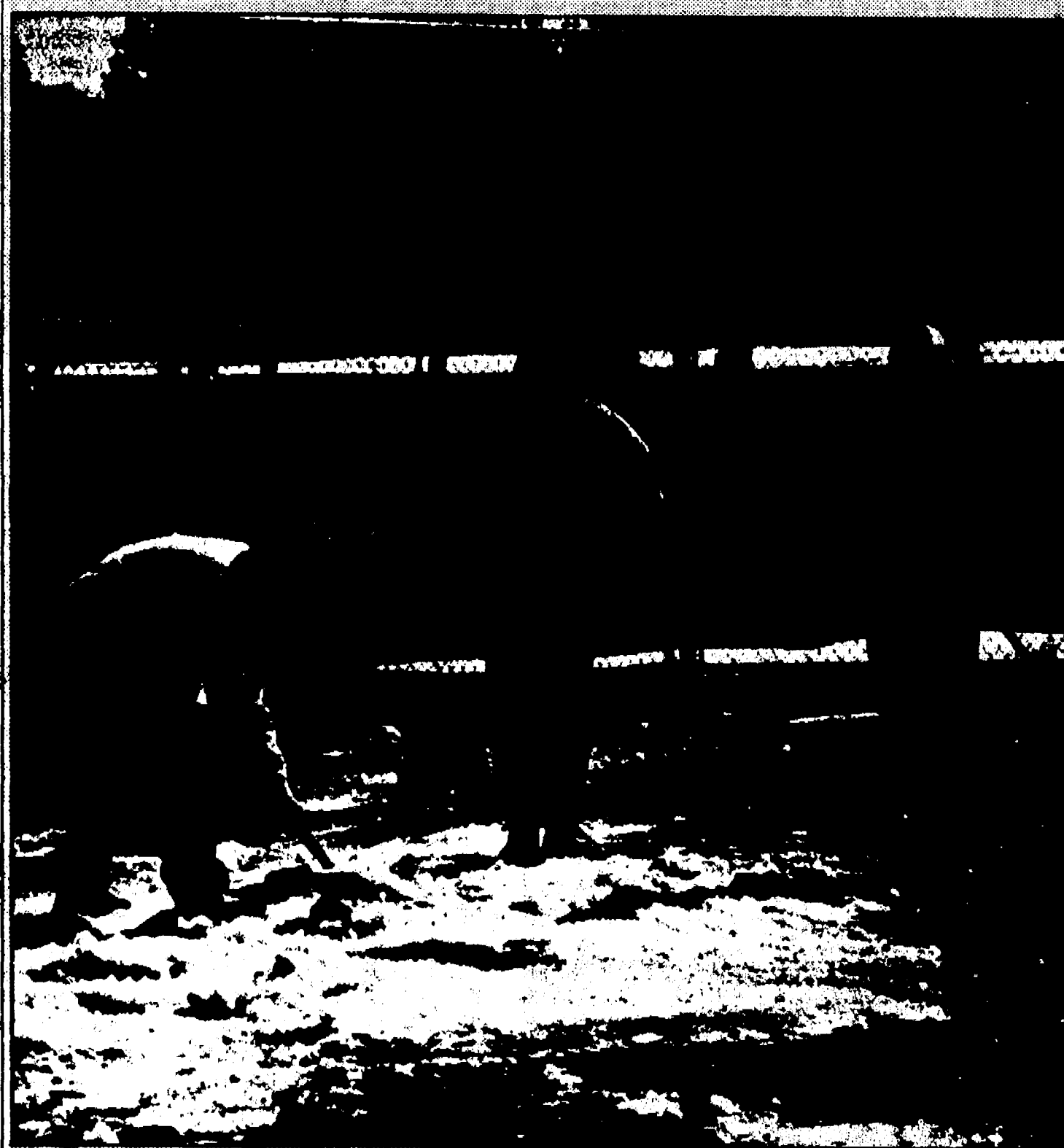
Chairman Bruce Bretzke is optimistic about the agreement. "This is something that could have been done three years ago. I'm excited about getting the environmental officer in place to help insure the environmental health of our back yard. We're not going to be involved in any more talk of multi-million dollar suits. Our agreement will be fair and equitable to all."

Although the details of the agreement have not been released to the public, what is known is that if the county's solid waste plan is amended to allow more trash into the landfill, CESW will pay an unspecified amount of money, on an ongoing basis, to Crawford County. The county commission will use some of the money to hire an environmental engineer to monitor what goes into the landfill.

If the commission accepts the agreement on Thursday, members of the Crawford County Solid Waste Planning Committee are expected to meet in open session directly after the commission meeting, to review the commissioners recommendation.

That committee could bring its recommendation back to the county by the regularly scheduled, Tuesday, April 30 meeting. At that point, the county could pass an amendment and send it on to the municipalities. Any amendment to the county solid waste management plan must be approved by two-thirds of the municipalities before it can move on for final acceptance by the director of the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality.

Play ball!...after you shovel off the snow



CLEANUP BATTERS

After being forced to cancel home games with Gaylord and Roscommon, and having to change a home game with Lake City into an away game at Lake City, the Grayling Vikings varsity and junior varsity girls' softball teams took matters into their own hands.

With shovels and rakes, the girls removed the last of the snow that was lingering on their field so they could at least practice there.

Above (L to R) juniors Jessica St. Germain, Arica Burkett and Jessica Waite, do their part to clean off the field. Prior to their cleanup day the girls had been forced to practice on the high school parking lot or in the gymnasium.

The Vikings finally opened their 1996 season at Lake City with a double header split.

A wrapup of Viking softball and baseball action can be found on page 3B.

Photo by Linda Sherwood/Avalanche

Stockman withdraws request for \$20,000

By Terry Wright
Entrepreneur Volker Stockman of Vancouver, British Columbia, has

withdrawn his request for \$20,000 from the Crawford County Industrial Development Fund (IDF).

Stockman had requested the funds to qualify for a research grant from the Michigan State Research Fund to study the specific gravity of one of the products his proposed Pontiac Fiberboard plant will produce. To qualify for the \$60,000 grant, Stockman had to match 1/3 of the requested amount.

In making his request, Stockman had promised that the IDF could retain ownership of the study after December, 1997. He said the study could be used as a tool to attract investors into other local projects.

He withdrew his local request after the Michigan State Research Fund denied the grant.

"It was not a deal breaker," said Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce Director Jerry Meyer. "He

will have to go at it from a different direction."

Stockman came to Grayling to attend the IDF meeting held on Friday, April 12, and to inform the committee that he was withdrawing his request.

Stockman has proposed building a two-phase forest product manufacturing facility on Four Mile Road in Grayling Township, to manufacture particle board, laminated veneer lumber and medium-density fiberboard.

If successful, Stockman has promised to provide approximately 310 new jobs and inject nearly \$45 million yearly into the local economy.

Construction on phase one was originally scheduled to begin this month, but delays have pushed the starting date back.

Stockman has repeatedly said his project will not commence until the U.S. Forest Service and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR), release more acres of public

forests for harvest, which the DNR apparently has now agreed to do.

The Detroit News reported on April 4, that the DNR will implement a \$5 million program that will allow private foresters to harvest an additional 25,000 acres of public forests per year by 1998. Last year, about 53,000 acres of public lands were harvested.

To pay for the program, the state will sell \$5 million in bonds, which it says it will recoup from private forest product companies.

To identify areas which need to be harvested, the DNR will hire 20 new employees into its Forest Management Division.

In his March update to the Grayling chamber, Stockman said another critical hurdle to his project is finding "an industry partner." He said there has been interest by an Ontario-based forest products company, and he is currently negotiating with them.

"Dialogues with other forest products firms exist as well," Stockman said.

Grayling girl in 96 Olympic Torch Relay

Fifteen-year old Tanya Rice, a freshman at Grayling High School, has been chosen to be one of 15,000 torchbearers for the 1996 Olympic Torch Relay. The relay is being sponsored by the Coca Cola Company, headquartered in Atlanta, Georgia, site of the 1996 Olympic Games.

The Olympic Torch left Mt. Olympus, Greece, in March on its way to Atlanta. It will arrive in Los Angeles, California later this month for the 100-day journey across country.

Each Olympic Torchbearer will carry the torch about 500 to 1,000 miles. Tanya has not been told yet, where or when her turn will come. It is expected that she will carry the torch in southern Michigan.

The Coca Cola Company is providing each runner with an official torchbearer uniform.

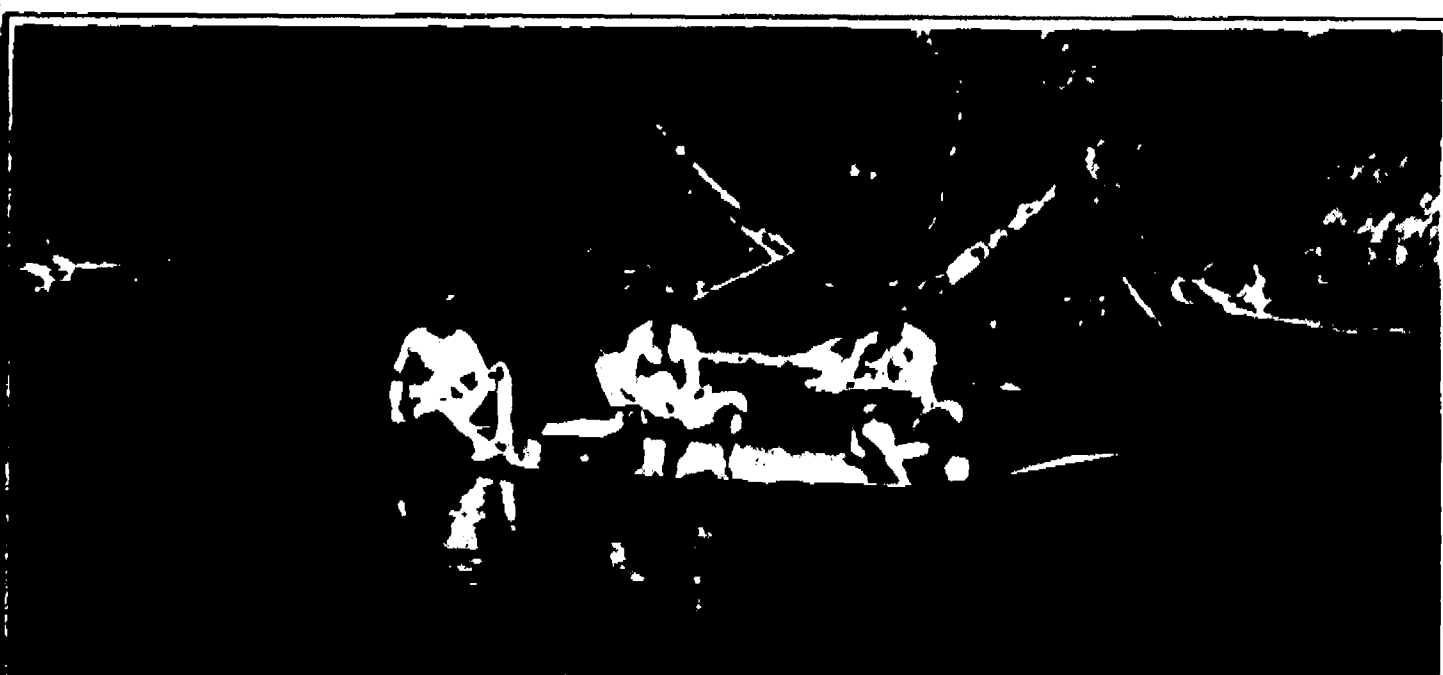
The Avalanche will publish more on this unique opportunity for Tanya Rice as more details are released.

Tanya is the daughter of Dan and Sharon Rice of Grayling.



Tanya Rice

Anglers take to trout waters this Saturday



A PERFECT DAY—Fishing from an AuSable Riverboat, these three men try their luck on the Mainstream of the AuSable. Saturday marks the beginning of the 1996 trout season.

We can be sure that spring is really here when the calendar rolls around to the last Saturday in April, the traditional beginning of the annual trout season in Michigan.

On the upper AuSable and Manistee rivers, two of the best trout streams in the Rockies, thousands of anglers will be casting their lines to their favorite deep holes in hopes of landing a monster.

According to fishing expert Gail Madson of Skip's Sport Shop, the opening weekend could be quite good

if the weather cooperates.

"It all depends on how much rain we get," Madson said. "The warm weather should mean the fish will be actively feeding."

Rusty Gates of Gates AuSable Lodge, said the rivers are all high because of recent snow runoff.

"We're running two to three weeks behind right now," Gates said. "The warm weather will help, but it has to stop raining and dry up for a few days."

Fishing regulations vary between

streams and among sections of streams. Certain areas in Crawford County have been designated as "Quality Fishing" areas, or "Catch and Release," areas.

Those designated areas include: •AuSable South Branch—from Chase Bridge to the Mainstream is flies only. From Chase Bridge to the Lower Highbanks is also a mandatory catch-and-release area.

•AuSable North Branch—from the "sheep ranch," to the Mainstream is flies only.

•AuSable Mainstream—from

Burtons Landing to Wakeley Bridge is flies only and mandatory catch and release. This area is open to fishing year-round.

•Manistee—from "Yellow Trees" to CCC Bridge is flies only.

There are a number of lakes in the area that offer opportunities for fishing also.

Wakeley Lake, a U.S. Forest Service lake 10 miles east of Grayling off M-72, is a catch-and-release lake. Wakeley Lake has good bass, bluegill and pike fishing, as well as trout. Fishermen must park in the designated parking lot on M-72 and walk the 1/4-mile trail into Wakeley Lake. Bows must be carried or carted to the lake.

Bright and Glory lakes, five miles northeast of Grayling in the Hartwick Pines State Park, are designated trout lakes. Access is easy, but a state park daily or yearly permit is required for entry. A daily permit is \$4, and a yearly permit is \$18.

Taking trout is permitted in non-designated trout streams, such as Portage Creek, prior to the trout opener, so long as they measure at least 16 inches in length.

A resident 1996 fishing license can be obtained at many stores throughout the county for \$10.35, plus another \$10.35 for a trout stamp.

County collects on inmate collect calls

By Linda Sherwood
Staff Writer

When entering the Crawford County Jail, inmates lose several freedoms and choices. One of those choices could cost the inmate's friends and family money.

Art Saunders of Higgins Lake, a relative of a Crawford County inmate, is upset about what he thinks may be a monopoly created by Crawford County for the purpose of profit.

When Saunders receives a phone call from his relative, an inmate in the jail, he is charged more than \$10 for a 15-minute call. Crawford County receives a percentage of that money, which goes to the county's general fund.

"I wish to protest the Board of Commissioners' choice of the company

that is providing phone service to the inmates," wrote Saunders in a letter to the board.

Inmates wishing to call friends and relatives can use pay phones that are located in their cell blocks. The inmates must make collect calls.

When answering, the inmate's friends and relatives hear a pre-recorded message stating that this is a collect call from an inmate at the Crawford County Jail. If they accept the call, the friend or relative is charged \$3 to connect the call, plus 50 cents a minute, regardless of the time of day. After 15 minutes, the phone automatically shuts off.

Inmates cannot choose the phone company that provides the phone service. Crawford County signed a con-

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McManus introduces fishing rights legislation

Last Thursday, with the Breake Fish Ladder as the backdrop, State Senator George McManus (R-Traverse City) and Senator Robert Geake (R-Northville) introduced legislation to protect fishing rights in Michigan.

The bill seeks to protect the rights of Michigan sport and commercial fishermen, the livelihood of those who are dependant upon the industry and the healthy propagation of native Michigan fish from those factions who wish to see fishing in Michigan eliminated.

Joined by Fred Trost, host of the popular television show *The Practical Sportsman*, the group detailed the way that over 2 million Michigan residents fish for recreation and that an additional 334,000 out-of-state anglers visit Michigan to fish each year.

"These individuals generate over

\$2 billion in direct and indirect revenue for the state through sport-fishing," McManus explained. "This figure represents more than five times the amount of revenue generated by deer hunting."

Fishermen, through the purchase of fishing licenses, provide approximately \$18 million to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources to ensure healthy populations of all Michigan fish species and help to fund other natural resources concerns. However, animal-rights activists have made bold attempts to thwart both sport and commercial fishing efforts in Michigan by using antagonistic and aggressive tactics to disrupt normal fishing practices.

The bill sponsored by Senator Geake, will prevent animal-rights

activists and others from blocking, impeding, or otherwise harassing another person who is engaged in the process of lawfully taking fish. Individuals will also be enjoined from intentionally driving away fish or disturbing the waters that are being fished. There are additional elements of the bill which prevent the erection of barriers to impede access to public waters or other similar activities intended to prevent the lawful taking of fish.

"This type of extreme behavior is unacceptable. Not only is fishing a challenging sport, it is a valuable commercial enterprise which generates millions of dollars for businesses and individuals in our state," said McManus. "Fishing is also one of those cherished family activities."



Senator George McManus

New building constructed for Mercy physicians

Development is underway for a new medical office building, financed by a local investor, on property owned by Mercy Hospital.

The new building will house four physician offices, including that of Mercy Primary Care Associates. Two new primary-care physicians have been recruited to Grayling, and will be located in the new medical office building: Dr. David LaGattuta, M.D., obstetrician, and Samina Ali, M.D., pediatrician. Dr. LaGattuta is arriving on July 8, and Dr. Ali will open her practice in September.

The 8,160-square-foot facility is being constructed by Arrow Homes of Merritt, next to Mercy Hospital at 1250 Michigan Avenue. Patients will enter the complex via a separate entrance just north of the Mercy Manor parking area. An expanded parking area for employees and clinic patients is part of the overall project.

In the future, the building may be expanded as new physicians are recruited to our area. The building is expected to be completed by July, in time for Dr. LaGattuta's arrival to Mercy Hospital.



Chamber Business After Hours at Grayling Country Club

The monthly Business After Hours of the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce moves to the Grayling Country Club this Thursday, April 25.

This month, it is an event with double benefits, since Thursday is also the country club's opening day. Chamber and club members will network from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., and there is an opportunity to win prizes.

The chamber is also using the opportunity to highlight several just-completed projects. Copies will be available of a survey, detailing attitudes

of county residents on a variety of topics regarding government, education, tourism, industry, etc. The chamber's community development committee will use results as a guide for future projects and goals. Survey copies will be available at the chamber office.

The survey was designed by a broad-based committee of community leaders, then structured by the research division of Consumers Power, which

tabulated the results.

Also available Thursday evening will be copies of the new Chamber Membership Directory. This year, advertising sales, design and layout were a project of the Publications One class at Grayling High School, with the printing done by Northern Litho. In addition to listing chamber members alphabetically and by business, the publication includes the numbers of all members with faxes. There are also several E-mail addresses, and it is

anticipated the 1997 publication will include many more as businesses go on line.

"We are very proud of the directory," said Chamber Director Jerry Meyer. "This is a school-to-work effort which gave the students real-life experience, produced some revenue for the publications division, and gave us a top-quality product with which to represent our community." Meyer also thanked all the chamber members who purchased ads in the directory.

County collects on inmate collect calls

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tract with Invision Telecom of Georgia, to provide the telephone service.

In addition to a percentage of every phone call, Crawford County also received the installation of the pay phones within the new jail, free of charge. In 1995, Crawford County made over \$17,000 from inmate telephones. In 1994 and 1993, the county received over \$14,000.

Saunders argues that the same service could be provided by AT&T for more than half the cost currently being charged. AT&T would also charge a \$3 fee for connecting the call, but the

most expensive rate would be 20 cents for the first minute and 18 cents for each additional minute. The rate would be cheaper evenings and nights.

Saunders spoke to the commissioner at the April 16 board meeting. After listening, commissioners voted to keep the current phone company, with Commissioner Robert Smock abstaining from the vote. Smock stated he wished to investigate the matter further.

Saunders feels the county may be guilty of profiteering, which is taking advantage of unusual or exceptional circumstances to make excessive profits.

"At the Board of Commissioners meeting, Sheriff Lovely said Crawford County gets 35 percent of the gross charge of these phone calls," said Saunders in an interview.

Jail Administrator Captain Michael Johnson said inmates are giving a cost breakdown for the phone calls in their inmate guide. Local calls are cheaper, said Johnson. He also pointed out that anyone accepting the call from an inmate are aware that the call is collect.

As for not providing the inmates with a choice, Captain Johnson said the inmates could write letters to their friends and family instead of calling.

Family Coordinating Council seeks public comment

The Crawford County Family Coordinating Council (FCC) has decided to undertake the process of

developing a community resource directory.

As part of the Strong Families/Safe

Children initiative in the state of Michigan, FCC members hosted "focus groups" to help determine what the people felt were the needs of the community. One of the needs identified was a resource guide that consumers could use to identify sources of assistance, information and referral.

The Family Coordinating Council opted to put the project out to bid, however no bids were submitted. A motion was made during the February FCC meeting that a sub-committee be created to handle the project. That sub-committee is being chaired by MaryAnn Reynolds of the COORISD.

"So many people in the community, professionals included, don't understand the multitude of services available right here. We are trying to make a 'user-friendly' guide to services so that people can get questions answered and get the services they need quickly and without hassle," commented Reynolds during a recent meeting.

The sub-committee in charge of this project is looking for public comments, ideas, and input. If you would like to share some ideas with the group or you would like to ensure that your organization is included in the resource directory, you can drop a note to: Resource Directory, C/O CCCC Help Center, P.O. Box 1115, Grayling, MI 49738.

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A: C

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COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

Grayling teen chosen to attend Teen Days camp

Kristie Cadeau of Grayling, was selected to represent Top O' Michigan Electric Co. at this spring's Michigan rural Electric Teen Days program.

Teen Days is a three-day camp to be held April 24-26 at the Kettunen 4-H Conference Center near Cadillac. The Top O' Michigan teen will join some 40 students from other rural electric cooperatives across the state as they tour a local TV station and power supply cooperative, explore career options in electric co-ops, attend a live overhead power line safety demonstration, learn about electricity use and sharpen their leadership and decision-making skills by participating in a mock co-op board of directors meeting.

A rural electric co-op is unique in the utility industry because the business is owned by its customers who are members and owners of the cooperative. It is governed by a board of directors elected by the membership.

Kristie is a sophomore at Grayling High School who is active in sports. She also works as a volunteer for school and community events. In addition to



Kristie Cadeau

sports and band awards, Kristie was recognized by her school for having a 3.5 grade-point average, no write-ups and perfect attendance. She also was named homecoming princess of her sophomore class.

Kristie is the daughter of Charles and Sharon Cadeau.

Consumers offer rewards for catching vandals

Damage and vandalism to Consumers Power Company facilities last year accounted for more than 15 million interruption minutes to electric customers. To a single residential customer, that would translate to loss of electric service for approximately 30 years.

In 1995, 55 incidents of vandalism and third-party damage accounted for 15,845,827 minutes of electric interruptions and the disruption of 117,800 kilowatt hours to major industrial customers.

"In some instances, customers on electric life-support systems can be endangered by outages caused by vandalism and third-party activity," said David V. Voigt, vice president of electric transmission for the utility. "In addition to the inconvenience caused by the loss of electricity,

businesses and their employees can experience economic loss."

Vandalism was logged on 31 separate incidents, accounting for 12,633,181 customer minutes—or 80 percent of the 15 million total. Of those 31 incidents, 24 were attributed to gunshot insulator damage, which totaled 11,971,074 customer minutes.

Third-party incidents, which include vehicle accidents and contractor damage, totaled 3,212,646 customer minutes for 24 documented incidents.

In an effort to discourage all types of vandalism, Consumers Power offers cash rewards up to \$5,000 for information leading to the arrest and arraignment of those who willfully cause power outages. Information can be given to local law enforcement agencies or the utility at 1-800-477-5050.

Foster Grandparent Program needs volunteers

The Foster Grandparent Program needs senior citizens who would like to work with children. The love that seniors give through this program makes a big difference in the lives of many children. Foster grandparents volunteer 20 hours per week working directly with children. They are paid a non-taxable stipend of \$2.45 per hour, transportation expenses are reimbursed

and a daily meal is provided. The stipend is not considered income and will not affect Social Security, public assistance, subsidized housing or other such programs. To be eligible for the program, an applicant must be 60 years of age or older, and have an income of less than \$9,675 for a household of one, or have an income of less than \$12,950 for a household of two persons.

The program currently seeks volunteers in a variety of work settings in the area: Frederic Elementary School seeks foster grandparents to volunteer in their classrooms. Volunteers at the Crawford-AuSable Daycare spend their time with infants and toddlers. They comfort, rock, feed and play with the children with supervision by daycare staff. Frederic Elementary uses foster grandparents with students from varied classrooms. Students benefit from tutoring assistance and from a loving caring person to be available when others are busy.

If you are interested in volunteering for the Foster Grandparent Program, call (517) 356-3474, ext. 209, or write to: Northeast Michigan Community Service Agency, Inc., Foster Grandparent Program, 2373 Gordon Road, Alpena, MI 49707.

Crawford County preschool fair, April 25

The fifth annual preschool fair will be held Thursday, April 25, from 7-8 p.m. in the Grayling Middle School cafeteria. The fair offers parents an opportunity to enroll their children in preschool programs for next fall.

Representatives for Headstart, the Crawford-AuSable School District 4-year-old preschool program, Mercy Child Care, the Grayling Cooperative Preschool, and Crawford AuSable Day Care and Preschool will be present to describe their programs and answer questions. In addition, the Crawford AuSable School District speech therapist, occupational therapist, school psychologist, social worker, and C.O.R.E. Early On coordinator will be available for consultation. Also attending will be Dr. William

Dean, optometrist, and Sue Luckstead, district public health nurse.

Alan W. Ott retires from Chemical Financial Corp.

Alan W. Ott, chairman, chief executive officer and president of Chemical Financial Corporation, and chairman and chief executive officer from the corporation's lead bank, Chemical Bank and Trust Company, announced recently that he will retire as an employee of the corporation and the bank on Dec. 31. Ott will reach age 65 in December, and is required to retire on the last day of the month, by the terms of the corporations' employee retirement policy. He will continue to serve as non-executive chairman of the boards of both the corporation and the bank following his retirement.

Aloysius J. Oliver, 55, who has been executive vice president, will become president and chief executive officer and a director of Chemical Financial Corporation on Jan. 1, 1997, succeeding Ott in that position.

On Sept. 1, Lawrence E. Burks, 63, president of Chemical Bank and Trust Company, will be promoted to vice chairman of the board of directors of the bank. He will continue to serve as the bank's chief leading officer.

Also on Sept. 1, David B. Ramaker, 40, will become president and a director of Chemical Bank and Trust Company and as executive vice president of Chemical Financial Corporation. Then, on Jan. 1, he will succeed Ott as the bank's chief executive officer. Ramaker has been president and chief executive officer of Chemical Bank Key State in Owosso.

Ott joined the staff of Chemical Bank and Trust Company in 1962, as the bank's cashier. He was promoted to vice president and cashier in 1964, and elected to the bank's board of directors in 1969. He became the bank's president and chief executive officer in 1972, and added the chairman's title in 1994. When Chemical Financial Corporation was organized in 1973, Ott became the corporation's president and chief executive officer. He became the corporation's chairman as well in 1994. Earlier in his career, Ott had been an officer of Citizens Bank (now Chemical Bank Michigan) in Clare, and of the First National Bank of Manistique.

Stars host 'Friend's Night'

Grayling Chapter #83, Order of the Eastern Star, hosted a "Friend's Night" on Wednesday, April 17. There were 81 present, which included all 11 chapters from the Wolverine district; 31 were from the home chapter, one from Manton-Buckley, and one from Caro. Officers of the Grayling chapter put on a skit.

A highlight of the evening was based around the theme of the worthy matron, which was "peace around the world." Worthy Matron Kathryn Garbe

composed a letter asking for peace around the world. A copy was sent to 60 grand chapters around the world. Members helped address envelopes. The local chapter received many answers. The worthy matron read some of the responses.

Refreshments were served in the dining room. A home-made quilt with an Eastern Star emblem was raffled off. The lucky winner was Harry Wolfenbarger of the Grayling chapter.

NARFE to meet May 2

The National Association of Retired Federal Employees (NARFE), Chapter 2305, will meet Thursday, May 2, at the Iron Gate Restaurant in Grayling, for lunch at 11:30 a.m., with the business meeting following at approximately 12:30 p.m. (Note: change of meeting place.)

All federal employees, current or retired, and their spouses are encouraged to join this newly-formed chapter. One topic of discussion for this meeting will be cost-of-living allowance (COLA), and the extension of the three-month delay for federal annuitants.

If you have any questions or would like more information, call President Dick Barber in Gaylord at (517) 732-7819, or in Grayling, Vice President Rudy Martinez at (517) 348-5326.

Lions Lucky 13 winner named

Inga Dunlap recently won \$100 in the Lions Club Lucky 13 drawing.

Promise Keepers hold first area meeting April 27

The Promise Keepers will meet on Saturday, April 27, at 8 a.m. at Bear's Country Inn Restaurant for breakfast. This is the first breakfast of the Christian men's group in this area.

Promise Keepers is a non-denominational group of men whose purpose is "dedicated to uniting men through vital relationships to become Godly influences in their world."

The major purpose of this breakfast is to finalize the May 10-11 Promise Keepers meeting at the Pontiac Silverdome. For further information call 348-6592.

We would like to thank all of our friends who so generously gave to the Rich Calkins Hot Tub Fund. We were very surprised. We have had such a hard year, this surprise came at the perfect time. We are so very fortunate to live in a community and neighborhood where people are so caring.

Thanks again,
Rich, Julie, Gabby & Gracie



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ISSUES AND OPINIONS



ALMANACK By Richard Milliman

Line item veto may fall short

FINALLY, AFTER years of repeated advocacy and repeated defeat, Congress has turned over to the President some power to pick and choose projects upon which tax dollars are to be spent.

That's at the heart of the line item veto, approved by Congress and signed by President Clinton.

Mr. Clinton has praised the bipartisan effort, claiming it would help end "special interest boondoggles, tax loopholes and pure pork." He sent signature pens to the last four presidents, who, like Mr. Clinton, had pushed for its adoption.

Speaker Newt Gingrich and the GOP House majority had made the line item veto a part of its heralded Contract with America.

Editorialists generally hail the plan,

The Detroit Free Press, for example, editorialized: "What is at stake here is not really an experiment with American liberties, but an experiment in trying to assure that spending results from a strong consensus in Congress, not just skillful manipulation by a well-placed committee chairman."

Most everyone, it seems, loves the line item veto.

IT'S NOT unanimous, of course.

Government purists claim the line item veto is unconstitutional, because the constitution gives the power to adopt bills to the Congress, and the power to the President either to sign or disapprove those bills. It doesn't say anything about partial approval.

To a layman, there appears to be a constitutional problem.

A suit already has been filed by the National Treasury Employees Union;

others may follow.

"It has an unconstitutional allocation of authority to the president," said Robert M. Tobias, union president. He had a more practical explanation, too:

"We're very much afraid of a hostile president who might veto a federal employee pay increase," he said.

The new law takes effect in 1997. Authority would end after eight years. Presumably, if everyone was happy, it would be adopted again.

IN A NUTSHELL, the line item veto would allow the President to disapprove individual items from spending bills; now he/she must veto an entire bill.

However, all existing entitlement programs, such as Medicare and Social Security, are exempt.

The bill also allows the president to

cancel a tax break that would benefit fewer than 100 taxpayers; again, most tax legislation is exempt.

With two-thirds votes, Congress could reinstate the slashed measures.

So far, 43 states—including Michigan—have similar provisions. If it survives the legal challenge, will it work?

From this distance, it appears the answer is yes and no.

THE VETO likely would catch the special interest project sneaked into a spending bill at the last minute, in secret, by a conniving committee chair or sly member.

But it certainly won't bring wholesale reductions in spending.

What is one member's pork barrel is another member's deserved public project. Each spending project has its supporters, as well as detractors.

The dilemma in most cases will be political: If the President vetoes a pet project, she/he could arouse the ire and perhaps the enmity of a congressional power bloc where support may be needed in the future.

Perhaps more important, he/she makes some special group mad, and potentially loses votes.

Is it worth it to the President to alienate a concentrated group of voters—along with a power bloc in Congress—for the benefit of good government?

In the abstract, that's a no-brainer. Of course good government would win.

But in the specific, politics must be considered.

In all likelihood, the line item veto will be used only sparingly...and then only in flagrant cases...or perhaps for political punishment.

Keeping in mind that so many entitlement areas are exempt, it appears the line item veto is not going to have a staggering effect on federal spending. It certainly won't balance the budget.

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

Disclaimer

The opinions expressed in the letters and columns on this page are solely those of the writer and do not reflect the views of the Crawford County Avalanche.

Writer says MTA words have 'sounded the alarm'

To the editor,

At a January conference of the MTA (Michigan Township Association) a presentation by MTA legal council contained the following statement in a handout titled "Anti-government Associations."

"Various groups, both organized and loosely organized, with ties to other groups across the nation are springing up in Michigan. These groups promote themes such as constitutional rights, anti-gun control, anti-government regulation, anti-tax, the evils of government, conspiracy theories, and various interpretations of Biblical ideas. The following is a list of some known groups."

MTA then goes on to list some of these known groups, Michigan Militia; The Michigan Jural Society; Ethical Good Government; Free Under God; Michigan Property Owners Association; Michigan Electors Association; The Norman Electors for the Protection of Voting Empowerment (NERVE).

So one may ask, where is the danger in all of this? The danger is when a self-appointed private organization (MTA) uses your tax dollars to create a hate list that includes by inference most citizens, and rips at the very foundation of every belief that we as Americans hold precious. What is behind the twisted reasoning that you are "anti-government" if you believe

in your constitutional rights, or right to bear arms, and that government over regulates, or taxes are too high, and if you embrace Biblical ideals? Well, one reasonable explanation may be that the "evils of government" are in a "conspiracy." But then again probably not, as that would take some serious thought and it is quite evident that very little thought was put into the delusional ramblings of the Michigan Township Association or their representatives.

The words and actions of the MTA have not only sounded the alarm, but have given cause and purpose, for the very organizations and citizens that they have so maliciously branded as being anti-American, and have been metaphorically stabbed in the back.

So with tax season upon us and as you belly-up to the counter to pay your property tax, keep in mind that a part of your money will be voluntarily and questionably given to MTA by your township board.

Then the cycle can continue, you pay the township, they pay MTA, then MTA spends your money to demonize you, and then MTA rides to the rescue of the "poor frightened township officials," not unlike some cheap western movie, oops! sounds like a conspiracy. Oh well, maybe I'm one of "those" people that believe in God and country.

If there is anything good to be found,

it may be that MTA will have to wait until their next big installment of your tax dollars before they go after mom and apple pie.

But make no mistake about the private agenda of the MTA and how it adversely affects us all. If anyone was to read MTA's monthly magazine and observe the pending state legislation they oppose or support, the constant theme is anti-taxpayer (you), and pro-tax. There are times that we as individuals can do little in the face of an overly-intrusive government, but this time we can. Go to your township board and tell them to stop paying your tax money to the MTA. By cutting off the flow of funds, we will get their hand out of our pocket and the knife from our backs.

And the most insidious thing about this whole scam is and has been a complete disregard of well-established constitutional laws that township tax money can not be used to support a private corporation or for lobbying, both of which appears to be the case here. Maybe that is the true reason MTA is concerned about citizens reading the constitution or learning the laws.

David Kneff, Chairman Research Committee, Citizens for Environmental Awareness and Accountability in Government (CEAAG) (517) 348-8580

EDITOR

Animal abuses are not punished enough

To the editor,

What is wrong with the court system in Crawford County? It appears that the prosecutor is afraid to punish the wrong-doers. There is too much plea bargaining. In the case of Anna Marie Bishop, there were 30 counts against her and 28 were dropped! In the case of Ira Grounds, he was charged with 16 counts of animal abuse. He pled guilty to two charges and all the rest were dropped!

In an article in the *Avalanche*, Dixie Lobsinger said that it was the worst case of animal abuse she had ever seen, and for this he got 93 days in jail and two years probation. Something is

wrong here!

The person who chained the rottweiler to a tree and left it to starve to death—will that case be dismissed? Or perhaps a slap on the hand with a wet noodle will be given.

No wonder there is so much animal abuse in Crawford County. The guilty ones know that they won't be punished like they should be. These animal abusers should be put in prison, and I mean a prison with no radio, TV, or access to a library. They should be made to sit in a cell by themselves and think about their animal abuse.

Martha Bancroft, Grayling

Volunteers have better things to do than 'take guff'

To the editor,

I am writing in response to the letter to the editor dated April 18, from Ms. Abney.

I am very angry that this woman has taken it upon herself to be a vigilante against the Boy Scouts of Grayling and the *Avalanche*. It is incredible to me that over something so innocent as a pine car race, this woman should act as though her son had been accosted by the community.

A mistake was made when the pictures were submitted to the paper, along with the story for the races. The wrong name was submitted with the picture. When the story appeared, most parents would have called and said that the picture was identified incorrectly and asked if something could be done to fix it. A simple apology for the inconvenience was not good enough for her. She had to call every volunteer leader for the scout pack, scream and carry on to each of them about what they had done to her

son.

Each one of these volunteers gives of their own time, in addition to working, caring for their families and home, plus the work they do for the scouts. I don't see Mrs. Abney saying that she wants to help volunteer. Instead it is much easier to criticize everyone even though they are doing the best they can. We may lose these great scout volunteers because they have better things to do with their time than take the guff from raving parents who don't lift a finger to help. Where will our kids be then? I guess Ms. Abney is trying to tell us there should not be a scout group in Grayling.

Get a grip Ms. Abney! Now that you have made everyone upset, I hope you are happy with yourself. You certainly gave your son an important lesson in being a good scout, a good Christian and a decent person.

Mrs. Laura Feutz, Grayling

Errors could be avoided if more would help

To the editor,

As cubmaster of Cub Scout Pack 3993, I would like to publicly apologize to the *Avalanche* and its employees for the actions of one of our members.

The committee of the Pack took it upon themselves to write an article for the paper about our Pinewood Derby race. I wrote that article at 11:30 p.m. after a busy day of work and family responsibilities, from pictures that another committee member took, developed and wrote the names on the back. The Tiger Cub winner's name was wrong, therefore the article I wrote contained the mistake. The *Avalanche* printed what I wrote, including the mistake. When the error was noticed, by the parent, the *Avalanche* said they would print a correction. They contacted me, but since I do work, I wasn't able to get back to them before the deadline of the next issue. The correction was printed in the issue after that.

The committee has been asking for some parent to take over the press-release chairman position, but we keep getting excuses. The parents of the

Tiger Cub winner have enough time to make several calls and write letters, therefore maybe they could take the position. There are four or five people who work very hard to be leaders for the boys and do all the behind-the-scenes work to keep the Pack running. We are overworked and there isn't enough time left at the end of a busy day for anything else. Yet, we all continue to do it for the boys to have a great program in their scouting years.

I had planned on doing an article for the *Avalanche* each time the Pack had a special outing or a community project. Now I would not blame the paper if they refused to print anything about the Scouts, since this has caused so many problems. I just hope they don't let one bad incident ruin it for all the families who enjoyed seeing the boys and the Pack in the paper once again.

Again, I would like to apologize to the paper and all its employees for the trouble this has caused. You did us a favor by printing the article for us.

Pam Gomez, Grayling

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DISTRICT COURT

Appearing before Judge Francis L. Walsh:

Marsha JoAnn Thomas, 39, of Frederic, plead guilty to the charge of County Ordinance: Barking Dog, and was fined \$160 or 14 days. She was cited Feb. 24, 1996, by the sheriff dept.

Gary Ronald Thomas, 31, of Grayling, plead guilty to the charge of Driving While License Suspended, and was fined \$240 or 30 days. He was cited Jan. 27, 1996, by the city police.

Jesse Paul Cousineau, 18, of Roscommon, plead guilty to the charge of Assault & Battery, and was fined \$340 or 30 days, plus placed on one year probation. He was cited Aug. 26, 1995, by the sheriff dept.

Terry Eugene Dennis, 17, of Rose City, plead guilty to the charge of Fail To Return Rented Property Under \$100, and was fined \$160 or 14 days. He was cited Dec. 28, 1995, by the city police.

Melanee Lashawn Moulder, 19, of Grayling, plead guilty to the charge of Retail Fraud 2nd Degree, and was fined \$190 or 14 days. She was cited Dec. 17, 1995, by the city police.

Bradley Robert Prause, 18, of Grayling, plead guilty to the charge of Unlawful Blood Alcohol Level (.02-.07) Under 21, and was fined \$540 or 60 days, placed on 12 months probation, plus his license was suspended 90 days. He was cited March 10, 1996, by the sheriff dept.

Richard James Enger, 50, of Sarasota, Florida, plead guilty to the charge of Impaired Driving 2nd, and

was fined \$640 or 60 days, placed on six months probation, plus his license was suspended six months. He was cited Jan. 13, 1996, by the sheriff dept.

Leon Earl Budd, 38, of Lake City, plead guilty to the charge of OUIL, and was fined \$640 or 60 days, placed on one year probation with first 30 days in jail, plus his license was revoked one year. He was cited Oct. 8, 1995, by the state police.

Bradley E. Murray, 30, of Wolverine, plead guilty to the charge of OUIL, and was fined \$640 or 60 days, placed on six months probation, plus his license was revoked one year. He was cited Aug. 19, 1993, by the city police.

James Robert Wakeford, 43, of Mt. Morris, was charged with Count I: OUIL, and was fined \$640 or 60 days, plus his license was revoked one year, and Count II: Possession Of Marijuana, and was fined \$340 or 30 days, ordered to pay \$150 lab fees, plus he was placed on one year probation. He was cited Jan. 29, 1996, by the sheriff dept.

William Kurt McCann, 24, of Sandusky, plead guilty to Count I: OUIL, and Count II: Provide False Information To Police Officer, and was sentenced to 60 days in the county jail with credit for time served, plus his license was revoked one year. He was cited May 7, 1989, by the sheriff dept.

Irene Camilla Schultes, 40, of Grayling, plead guilty to the charge of Possession Of Marijuana, and was fined \$340 or 30 days, ordered to pay \$150 lab fees, placed on 12 months

probation, plus her license was suspended six months. She was cited June 27, 1995, by the state police. On motion of prosecuting attorney, original charge of Manufacture Marijuana, was dismissed upon above plea.

Daniel Lee Lateskey, 20, of Grayling, plead guilty to the charge of Unlawful Use Of Marijuana, and was fined \$240 or 30 days, ordered to pay \$150 lab fees, placed on six months probation, plus his license was suspended six months. He was cited Oct. 10, 1994, by the sheriff dept.

Bennie Lee Gosicki, 36, of Grayling, demanded a preliminary exam on the charge of B & E Building With Intent. A \$10,000 cash or surety bond was set.

Anita Lavee Miltenberger, 33, of Frederic, demanded a preliminary exam on two charges of Welfare Fraud Over \$500. A \$2,500 personal bond was set.

John Ferris Miltenberger, 31, of Frederic, demanded a preliminary exam on two charges of Welfare Fraud Over \$500. A \$2,500 personal bond was set.

Amiee Rollins, 26, of Frederic, demanded a preliminary exam on two charges of Welfare Fraud Over \$500. A \$2,500 personal bond was set.

Christopher Rollins, 27, of Frederic, demanded a preliminary exam on two charges of Welfare Fraud Over \$500. A \$2,500 personal bond was set.

Norbert Jay Szkotnicki, 45, of Grayling, was bound over to circuit court on the charge of Possession With

Intent To Deliver Marijuana. A \$10,000 cash or surety bond was set.

Lionel Anthony Green, 32, was bound over to circuit court on Count I: Escape Jail Through Violence, and Count II: Prisoner Possessing Contraband. No bond was set as he is a state prisoner.

Appearing before the Honorable George Alexander by assignment:

Anna Marie Bishop, 54, of Grayling, plead guilty to two charges of Cruelty To Animals, and was fined \$210 or 30 days for each charge, ordered to pay \$108.86 restitution, sentenced to eight days in jail with credit for time served, plus placed on two years probation; and one charge of Violation Health Department Order, and was fined \$160.

Margaret Rose Drouillard, 45, of Grayling, was bound over to circuit court on the charge of Retail Fraud 1st Degree. A \$1,000 personal bond was set.

Jayson Raymond O'Toole, 19, of Mt. Pleasant, was bound over to circuit court on three charges of Forgery, three charges of Possession Stolen Property Over \$100, and one charge of Malicious Destruction Of Property Over \$100. A \$25,000 personal bond was set.

Rodney E. Boonie, 24, of Frederic was bound over to circuit court on three counts of Forgery, and three counts of Possession Of Stolen Property Over \$100. A \$1,000 cash or surety bond was set.

MAGISTRATE

Appearing before Magistrate Jean Calhoun:

Bradford A. Graft of Traverse City, was fined \$60 for Fish Closed Trout Waters.

Thomas L. Motley of Grayling, was sentenced to eight days in jail with credit for time served, for Fish Without License.

Anna Maria Alberghetti to perform at Kirtland

Star of stage and the silver screen, performer, singer, actress and lecturer, Anna Maria Alberghetti will close the 1995-96 Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts Performing Artist Series with a concert performance on Saturday, May 11, at 8 p.m. The concert will take place in the Gilbert I. Stewart Auditorium on the campus of Kirtland Community College in Roscommon. Alberghetti will be accompanied at the piano by Sam Kriger.

Alberghetti is a consummate performer. Her pure, wondrous sound has been heralded in America since her Carnegie Hall debut at the age of 13.

Recent appearances on concert stages in her dazzling one-woman show, have paved the way to appearances both in Cabaret and with the world's finest symphony orchestras.

Born in Italy, she is the daughter of a concert-master father and a pianist mother. She began singing at the age of 6. "I cannot remember a time when music was not a part of my life," she recalls. "My father sang with a number of famous opera companies, including La Scala, and he was concert master

for the Rome Opera Company."

World War II forced the Alberghettis from Europe. Her parents brought her to America where, at the age of 13, she debuted at Carnegie Hall. The *New York Times* was amazed by the child's extraordinary talents. The reviewer marveled at "some of the purest, loveliest sounds that have ever been heard."

She went on to achieve a highly-successful career, highlighted by winning the coveted Antoinette Perry (Tony) Award as Best Actress in a Broadway Musical, the temporarily relinquished her role of singer and actress for the roles of wife and mother. However, her face remained before the public as spokeswoman for Good Season's Italian Salad Dressing and her name became a household word on television.

Feature films appearances include *Here Comes The Groom* with Bing Crosby, *The Medium* by Gian Carlo Menotti, *Cinderella* with Jerry Lewis, *The Stars Are Singing* with Rosemary Clooney, *The Alamo* with Sterling Hayden and *Ten Thousand Bedrooms* with Dean Martin.

Broadway appearances include *Carnival*, *West Side Story*, *Fanny*, *Most Happy Fella*, *Camelot*, *The Boyfriend*, *Student Prince*, *Side By Side By Sondheim*, *Cabaret* and *Sound of Music*.

This performance is made possible with the support of the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs.

For ticket information, or if you would like to make a reservation, contact the Kirtland Ticket Office at (517) 275-6777. Senior and student discounts are available.

Regional substance abuse agency forming action plan

Northern Michigan Substance Abuse Services, Inc., is the regional substance abuse service coordinating agency serving the counties of Alcona, Alpena, Antrim, Benzie, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Crawford, Emmet, Grand Traverse, Iosco, Kalkaska, Lake, Leelanau, Manistee, Mason, Missaukee, Montmorency, Oceana, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle and Wexford. As part of its annual action planning process, the agency is accepting public comment on services for the 1996-97 fiscal year. Written comment will be received through Tuesday, May 14, at: Northern Michigan Substance Abuse Services, Inc., 1665 West M-32, Baraga Building, P.O. Box 1278, Gaylord, MI 49735.

In addition, a public hearing will be held on Tuesday, May 14, at the offices of Northern Michigan Substance

Abuse Services in Gaylord, during the advisory council meeting, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

SAGA yearbook on sale at GHS

The 1996 Grayling High School SAGA yearbook is still available for the low price of \$30.

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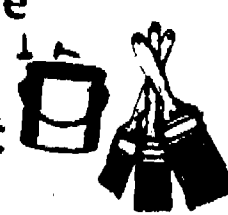
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FRI. 26	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•SB/BB VS. WHITEMORE PRESCOTT, away, 4:15 pm.•JV/SB/BB VS. WHITEMORE PRESCOTT, home, 4:15 pm.•FREDERIC ELEMENTARY jump rope for heart, 12:30-3 pm.	
SAT. 27	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•GRAYLING YOUTH BOOSTERS CLUB Swiss Steak Dinner @ Breaker's Steak House, 4:30-8 pm. Adults \$5, children 5-12 \$3.50, under 5 free.•CRAWFORD COUNTY Chapter Ducks Unlimited 13th annual banquet @ Grayling Holiday Inn, 6 pm. Call 348-9455/8823 for ticket information.•CHIEF SHOPPENAGON'S 80TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION - open house, 1-5 pm. Dinner special and other activities.	
SUN. 28	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•CHIEF SHOPPENAGON'S 80TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION - open house, 1-5 pm. Dinner special and other activities•ATTEND THE CHURCH of your choice today.	
MON. 29	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•GRAYLING CITY COUNCIL meeting.•FREDERIC ELEMENTARY kindergarten carnival, 6:30 - 7:30 pm.•SB/BB VS. ROSCOMMON, away, 4 pm.•JV SB/BB VS. ROSCOMMON, home, 4 pm.•KIWANIS LUNCHEON MEETING @ 12:10 pm, Chief Shoppenagon's Motor Hotel.	
TUES. 30	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•GRAYLING ELEMENTARY kindergarten carnival, 6:30 - 7:30 pm.•GRAYLING PROMOTIONAL ASSOCIATION luncheon meeting @ noon, Iron Gate Restaurant.	
WED. 31	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD BANK @ HS gym, 9 am - 3 pm.•ROTARY LUNCHEON MEETING @ Chief Shoppenagon's Motor Hotel, 12 noon.•WEIGHT WATCHER'S meeting @ St. Francis Episcopal Church on M-72 W., weigh-in 4:45; meeting 5:30 pm. For more information call Sandy @ 348-5321.	

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Life or Death?

Educated elite call it "dilation and extraction," or "intact dilation and evacuation," and "intrauterine cranial decompression." The process involves a surgeon using his fingers to deliver a late-term fetus until only the head remains inside the mother. He then guides a curved pair of scissors up the spine of the fetus until his middle finger makes contact with the base of the skull. The scissors guided under his middle finger are then forced into the base of the skull and spread to enlarge the skull opening. The surgeon then inserts a catheter into this hole and sucks out the baby's brains. He then removes the fetus completely from the patient. As Robert Smith (R-NH) noted during floor debate on H.R. 1833, "But for three more seconds and three more inches, that child is under the full protection of the Constitution of the United States." (A battle is being fought in Washington pushing H.R. 1833 to criminalize and stop such procedures.)

Let us examine the mind of one of these late-term abortionists, Dr. Warren Hern. In 1984, Hern published *Abortion Practice* as a text book. He described pregnancy as an affliction that "is not just biologic but also social and economic." He described the relationship of a pregnant female to her fetus as "one of host and parasite." Hern describes himself as a nature worshiper. He says, "Man is a particular form of virulent disease. The Earth has skin disease, a case of microbes infecting its crust and that disease is man." At an address at the University of Colorado-Boulder in 1990, Hern said, "The rate of population growth is exponential and uncontrolled...The human species is a rapacious, predatory organism...displaying all the characteristics of (a) malignant tumor...One of the main characteristics of a cancerous growth is that it resists regulation. Growth is not controlled." (Material from the April 15, 1996 issue of *The New American*.)

With over a million abortion deaths

per year in our country since the Roe v. Wade Supreme court decision of 1973, the public appears apathetic to the death of unborn babies. So now we are confronted by infanticide, suicide, and euthanasia. On March 6, 1996, the Ninth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals claimed to find a "right to die" in the constitution and that doctors may assist terminally-ill patients to end their own lives.

The liberals who seek to replace God, the Bible, the U.S. Constitution, and traditional family values with destruction and death are the real danger to America's future. Our problems come not from God, the Bible, and Christians. "Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people." (*Proverbs 14:34*)

Pastor "B"

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Red Cross Blood Drive May 1 at GHS

You can help the American Red Cross save lives...you can become a hero...if you volunteer to donate blood Wednesday, May 1, at the Grayling Community Blood Drive. The drive will be held at the Grayling High School gym, 1135 N. Old-27, from 9 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.

Each blood product that every hospital patient receives from the Red Cross comes from a volunteer blood donor. And now it's our turn to help save lives. If you are at least 17 years old, weigh at least 110 pounds, and are in good health, join the Red Cross to donate Wednesday, May 1.

The Red Cross needs all blood types. But if your blood type is Type-O negative or positive, your blood is in high demand right now. Your gift of blood helps babies, children and adults live normal, healthy lives. Your gift of

blood even can help save your own together to help save the life of 13-year-old Philip Wilson last fall. Philip was hit by a car, and suffered numerous injuries including a fractured neck, two broken legs, a collapsed lung and ruptured spleen. His surgery lasted seven hours, and during the operation, doctors gave Philip 28 units of blood, as well as platelets for clotting and plasma for shock. Philip has recovered fully, and his family continues to be thankful to Red Cross' blood donors. His mother, Christy, said, "You never know when it might happen to you. People generously gave of their time to become blood donors so Philip could live...and that's all that really matters."

In Michigan, hospitals need 2,000 units of blood every day. If you can donate blood, you have a special gift that someone needs right now. Help the Red Cross help others, because

help can't wait. Give blood Wednesday, May 1, at the Grayling Community Blood Drive.

There also will be a blood drive at Frederic Elementary School, Monday, May 6, 12 noon to 5:45 p.m. If the times are not convenient for you at the high school, try to donate at the Frederic drive.

At the March 2, blood drive, the following received gallon pins: two gallons, Nancy Carlisle, Angela DeVries, Mary Heinlein, John Rasmussen, Timothy Swope, and Walter Walsh; three gallons, Randall Black, Betty Mansfield; four gallons, James Lawless, Bruce Patrick and John Peterson; five gallons, Steven Olson; six gallons, Eugene Kindler; eight gallons, Richard Shoemaker. First-time donors were Gloria Mologianes, Aaron Perrin, Charlene Scheer and Ada Takacs.

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Anthony W. Henning of Grayling, an Accountancy major, was among the full-time students recently honored for academic excellence at the 38th annual Ferris State University Academic Honors Convocation. Those honored

have maintained a cumulative grade-point average of 3.6 or greater (4.0 scale) for the previous three consecutive semesters. Henning maintained a 4.0 grade point average

Church Directory

"Are We There Yet?"

As children, time seemed to pass more slowly as we neared a new destination. "Are we there yet?" was the repetitious lament. Eyes straight ahead, we ignored all else except our journey's end. My, what we must have missed along the way. As springtime approaches, we somehow revert to our child-self once again. The long cold days of February and the first windy weeks of March seem to pass laboriously. Will we ever see spring? Each morning we wonder, "Are we there yet?"

All things come into view in their own time. Ecc. 3:1 tells us, "For everything there is a season..." Meanwhile, look around you. Which is the true miracle...the sighting of the first robin or the hatching of an egg? Savor these few fantastic days as winter hatches into spring. Enjoy the journey.

This week, worship at your local church or synagogue. Savor each Sabbath as you journey closer to God. Are you there yet? You are well on your way.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Romans 5:1-11	1 Thessalonians 4:13-18	1 Thessalonians 5:1-11	2 Thessalonians 1:1-12	2 Thessalonians 2:1-12	2 Thessalonians 2:13-17	2 Thessalonians 3:1-18

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First Baptist Church Of Frederic
Pastor Dale Hammond
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study 7 p.m.

Christian Science Society
209 First St. - Suite 103 - Gaylord
Sunday Service 10:30 a.m.
April through October
2nd Wednesday 8 p.m.

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church
Pastor J. Douglas Paterson
400 Michigan Ave.
348-2974
Sunday Worship 8:30 & 11 a.m.
Sunday School 9:45-10:45 a.m.
Coffee Fellowship 12 noon
Bible Study (Wed.) 10 a.m.

Seventh Day Adventist
Pastor David Stramel
Phone 348-4445
Services held Saturday at Camp AuSable off M-72 East (1st building on right inside camp entrance).
Church Service 9:30 a.m.
Sabbath School 10:30 a.m.
Prayer Meeting Tues 7 p.m.

Grayling Assembly of God
Rev. Ron Veeler, Pastor
701 S. I-75 Business Loop
Church 348-8885-Parsonage 348-2588
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday - Family Night
Adult-Youth-Children 7 p.m.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
President Larry A. Cook
600 North Elm St., Gaylord
Sacrament 10 a.m.
Sunday School 11 a.m.
Primary 11 a.m.
Priesthood 12 noon
Relief Society 12 noon

Heritage Baptist
Pastor Ernie Wagner 348-1411
1841 Hartwick Pines Rd.
1/4 mile west of I-75
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.

St. John Evangelical Lutheran (ELCA)
Pastor Robert Cochran
710 Spruce St. - Phone 348-5224
Bible School 9:15 a.m.
Adult Bible Study 9:15 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
Nursery is available

Reorganized Church Of Jesus Christ Of Latter Day Saints
Pastor Lacey Stephens, Jr.
Corner of North Down River Rd. and South Millikin Rd.
Church School 9:45 a.m.
Preaching 11 a.m.
Midweek Service Prayer 7 p.m.

Gaylord Christian Reformed
Rev. V. Schaap
415 Ohio North
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 p.m.

St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church
Robert W. Nalley, J.C.L., Pastor
Lee Ann Duncley, Pastoral Associate
702 Peninsular - 348-7657
Sabbath Eucharist
Saturday Vigil 5 p.m.
Sunday 9 & 11 a.m.

Daily Worship
Tuesday & Thursday 7 p.m.
Wednesday & Friday 9:30 a.m.
Sacrament of Reconciliation, anytime by appointment, Saturday at 4 p.m. and 1/2 hour prior to weekday masses.

Calvary Assembly of God
Rev. Lawrence Cook
250 Lake St. - Roscommon - 275-5309
Sunday School 9:45
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Family Night 7 p.m.

Calvary Baptist Church
Dr. Robert Barnett, Pastor
M-72 West
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Mid-Week Services
Prayer & Awana Club (Wed) 7 p.m.

Church of Christ
Gordon French Minister
Old US 27 at Skyline Rd.
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Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday
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Bear Lake Christian
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Sunday Service 10 a.m.

The Church of Christ with the Elpis Message
Pastor Doreen E. Weaver
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Sunday Worship 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 7 p.m.
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Pastor Lyle Stader
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Sunday Morning 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
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Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.

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Pastor Terry Colby
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Morning Worship 11 a.m.
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Lovells Chapel
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Chapel Service 11 a.m.
Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7-8 p.m.

Free Methodist
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Prayer Meeting (Wednesday) 7 p.m.

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Sunday School 9 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
Monday Women's Bible Study 9 a.m.
Thursday Men's Promise
Keepers Study 7 p.m.
Tuesday Weekday School 5 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 9 a.m.

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Morning Praise 10:30 a.m.
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Adult Choir Practice (Monday) 6 p.m.

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Bondar receives top-producers awards

Century 21 Corporate, Midwest Division, is very pleased to announce that Debbie Bondar of Century 21 River Country Real Estate in Grayling, was the recipient of several "Top Producer" awards for the 1995 business year. Bondar was among the top Century 21 agents for the entire Midwest Division; a seven-state area with hundreds of Century 21 offices.

Bondar received a Masters Emerald Award, one of Century 21's top awards. The award was presented for her sales efforts during 1995. She was among only four agents, of 40 northern Michigan Century 21 offices with over 200 agents, to receive the Emerald Award. Bondar also received a Diamond Award for achievement over a three-year period. The Diamond Award is only given to agents that achieve the Masters Emerald Award

for three years running, a substantial accomplishment within the Century 21 system for an agent from a small community.

In addition to her sales achievement awards, Bondar also received the most-coveted award in the Century 21 system, the Agent Quality Service Award. This award is only given to an agent who has provided exemplary service to both buyers and sellers. Century 21 corporate sends quality service surveys to each home buyer and seller, who have bought or sold, utilizing the services of Century 21. Each returned survey, from all over the world, is individually evaluated for service provided during the real estate transaction. Century 21 makes special recognition of its agents that provide the very best service within the Century 21 system. Bondar has

been recognized as one of the world's best, in the Century 21 system, for providing service to her clients.

Bondar received her awards from the Michigan Regional Director Bill McCullen, at the Northern Michigan Century 21 Awards ceremonies, held at the Doherty Hotel in Clare. During the ceremony, McCullen explained to the attendees that Bondar is known throughout the entire Century 21 system for her sales achievements, her Quality Service Awards, her work and participation in the production of training videos and her participation in many "top producer" seminars in Canada and the midwest United States. McCullen also explained that it is unusual for an agent from a small community to achieve the national recognition, respect and notoriety that Bondar has achieved.



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Interlochen to bring top-notch performers for 1996 Summer Arts Festival

Alabama, Linda Ronstadt, Marvin Hamlisch and the Pittsburgh Pops Orchestra, The Monkees, Shari Lewis and Lamb Chop, k.d. lang, Huey Lewis and the News, The Detroit Symphony Orchestra, The Smothers Brothers and The Lettermen will be among the incredible "Sounds of Summer" at Interlochen Arts Festival this coming season.

Tickets go on sale Friday, April 19, and orders may be dropped off, faxed and mailed to the Interlochen Box Office. The box office telephone lines and ticket windows open Monday, May 6.

For a complete calendar of events, write the Interlochen Box Office at Interlochen Center for the Arts, P.O. Box 199, Interlochen, MI 49643-0199, or fax (616) 276-7444. Beginning May 6, call (616) 276-6230 for more information or to purchase tickets.

The festival opens Saturday, June 15, when the "King of Romance" Engelbert Humperdinck comes to Interlochen's open-air Kresge Auditorium, and the excitement continues with one great performance after another over the next 11 weeks. The summer season concludes Aug. 30, with a performance by The Smothers Brothers and The Lettermen. More than 500 concerts, theatre and dance productions, and visual art exhibitions will be presented by Interlochen students, faculty, staff and guest artists.

Concert attendees are invited to

enjoy a Prelude Picnic on the mall outside Kresge Auditorium during a two-hour period before each guest artist concert.

Edward J. Downing, vice president of the center and director of Interlochen Arts Camp, said he hopes the coming summer will be the brightest and best in a string of successful seasons for the world center for arts education.

"Our theme—The Sounds of Summer—is most appropriate as we welcome artists to our campus who are tops in their field, be it classical, jazz, pop or light rock music, theater, comedy or dance," said Downing. "Mix their sounds with that of youthful talents who come from around the world to sing, dance, act, write and create in a beautiful outdoor setting and you have it all."

For lovers of country music, the summer schedule brings The Mavericks with special guest Junior Brown to Interlochen, along with Grammy winning Alabama, Kathy Mattea and Lee Roy Parnell.

Linda Ronstadt will sing her greatest hits, with the Pittsburgh Pops Orchestra conducted by Marvin Hamlisch, the legend Little Richard will perform, and the recognizable voice and look of Garrison Keillor and A Prairie Home Companion will broadcast live from Kresge Auditorium. Other favorites include The Temptations with Martha Reeves and The Vandellas, and The Marvellettes, the engaging Broadway talents of Joel Grey and Carol

Channing, the uproarious sibling rivalry of The Smothers Brothers, and the smooth harmonies of The Lettermen.

Interlochen has long been known for its traditional classics and this summer's line-up proves that commitment as the festival welcomes The Ying Quartet, The Detroit Symphony Orchestra, guitarist Christopher Parkening with baritone Jubalant Sykes, world-renowned pianist Andre Watts and the Brentano String Quartet.

Contemporary classics come your way at Interlochen with The Monkees, The Chieftains with Nanci Griffith, and special guest, three-time Grammy winner k.d. lang, Huey Lewis and the News, Jackson Browne and Crosby, Stills and Nash, and an encore visit by Peter, Paul and Mary.

Blues and jazz lovers won't want to miss Fourplay with special guest Acoustic Alchemy and The Robert Cray Band. Other highlights include Shari Lewis, storyteller Jackie Torrence and Weinerville LIVE!

Heading the list of student performances are weekend concerts in July and August by the World Youth Symphony Orchestra; theatre productions of *Princess Ida*, Shakespeare's *Hamlet*, and the high school musical *Oklahoma*.

The multi-talented Interlochen faculty and staff are featured in the Stars, Stripes and Sousa July 4, and Festival Choir July 28.

YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY

Social Security steps up efforts to identify prisoners

State corrections officials have been requested to give Social Security a list of all prisoners in their jurisdictions to facilitate the timely suspension of benefits to which the inmates are not entitled. The request is one of several measures Social Security is taking to identify, at the earliest possible point, any prisoners who may be erroneously receiving benefits.

Under current law, prisoners are not entitled to Social Security benefits if they have been convicted of a crime which is punishable by more than one year in prison (regardless of the actual sentence imposed). Benefit suspension also applies to Supplemental Security

Income recipients who are incarcerated for a full calendar month.

Social Security's primary means of enforcing the prisoner provisions is through a national computerized matching program to identify incarcerated individuals.

Under existing agreements with the Federal Bureau of Prisons and with all the states, Social Security receives computer tapes listing the names and Social Security numbers of inmates which are then matched against Social Security's records. The matching information, however, does not include data on all prisoners. A small percentage of prisoners are housed in

county penal facilities, and certain states do not maintain centralized data at the state level on prisoners incarcerated in non-state facilities. Computer records also may be unsuitable for matching because of missing or invalid Social Security numbers, fictitious names or incorrect dates of birth.

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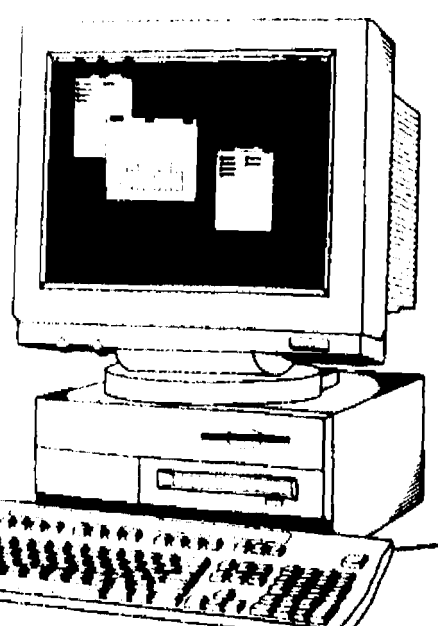
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THE GARDEN CORNER

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A good garden site is key to success

So you've decided to start a vegetable garden this year. Your next decision is likely to be where you'll put it. And that decision is probably the most important one you'll make.

"Selecting a good garden site is critical to gardening success," said Mary McLellan, Master Gardener program coordinator at Michigan State University. "A spot that provides the conditions for good plant growth

greatly increases your chances for gardening success."

If you have a choice of locations, choose a spot that offers the best combination of these factors:

—Soil. A loose, fertile, level, well-drained soil is best. Poorly-drained clay soils and dry sandy soils can be improved over time by adding organic matter, but it's a slow process. In the meantime, poor drainage will translate into poor growth and increased disease problems, especially root diseases. Gardens in sandy soil, on the other hand, will need more watering and very careful fertilization to provide sufficient nutrients for plant growth while limiting the potential for nutrient leaching to groundwater.

—Sunlight. Most vegetable crops require full sun all day for best growth. Avoid sites near buildings, trees, shrubs, fences or other objects or structures that would shade your crops. Plant tall crops on the north side of the garden so they won't shade the others.

—Air drainage. A garden on high ground will have a longer growing season (more frost-free days) than a garden in a depression. Cold air drains away from high ground and settles in

low spots, so gardens in low areas are more likely to be hit by late-spring and early-fall frosts. Air circulation around crops may also be poor in low-lying areas. This means foliage dries more slowly after a rain or overhead irrigation and foliage diseases that require moisture to get established may be more troublesome.

—Freedom from competition from other plants. Trees and shrubs and weeds compete with garden vegetables for water and plant nutrients. If you're tilling new ground, be sure to kill turfgrass or quack-grass sod before you turn the soil. If you simply till the grass under, it will keep coming back and you'll be fighting it all season. If possible, spend one growing season eliminating grass and weeds before you plant your garden.

—Water. A nearby water supply takes much of the labor out of irrigation during dry weather.

—Convenience. A rented garden spot at a distance may be better than no garden at all, but it may be difficult to get there with everything you need to work it—including enough time to make the trip worthwhile. Vandalism and theft are frequent problems in such gardens. If the garden is a few steps outside your door, you can pull a few weeds, pick a handful of beans or check for insect pests whenever you have a few minutes. Easy access to the garden can increase your enjoyment of it and make tending it less of a chore.

For more information on gardening, contact the Crawford County Extension at 348-2841, ext. 264.

SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

By Jan Farley

Some up-coming things for the weeks ahead: "BK" Bingo on May 5, at 5:30 p.m.; and on May 5, Sunday Brunch from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., serving chipped beef on toast.

Card parties on Tuesdays from 1 to 4 p.m., and play bridge, euchre, pinocle, etc. (They have two bridge tables and are hoping for a third or fourth table!). Fridays—Coffee Klatsch at 10 a.m. All seniors are invited to attend. Sit and chat with your friends and neighbors and get a chance to find out what the folks think about anything that is on their mind. It's fun and informative, too!

Come and eat at the center. The meals are tasty, well balanced, and it is really the best deal in town! \$1.50 donation for seniors, and the charge

for those under 60 is \$3. Feel free to come anytime—brand new policy: no reservations. Meals are served at 12 noon and 5 p.m. Monday thru Thursday, and 12 noon only on Fridays. Menus are subject to change without notice.

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April 24—Vocal Birds/Italian Round Steak;
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April 26—Ham/No Dinner;
April 29—Chopped Sirloin/Fish;
April 30—Liver & Onions/New England Boiled Dinner;
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May 2—BBQ Beef/Portcupine Meatballs;
May 3—No Lunch/Pork Chops.

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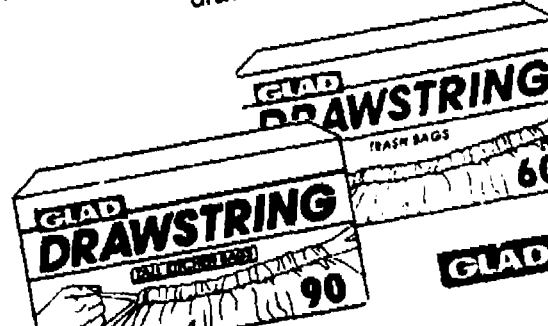


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Earline Johnson

Earline F. (LaMotte) Johnson, 72, of Decatur, died Saturday, April 13, 1996, at her home, after a lengthy illness. Funeral services were held Tuesday, April 16, at 3 p.m., at McLaughlin-Clark Funeral Home, with the Rev. Tom Stout of Volinia Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was in Mission Hills Memorial Gardens in Niles.

Mrs. Johnson was born July 6, 1923, in Grayling, daughter of Walter and Edith (Collen) LaMotte. She moved to Cass County in 1981, from Silver Springs, Maryland. She was a homemaker.

Mrs. Johnson was preceded in death by a brother and a grandson.

Survivors include: daughter, Nola Stevens of Decatur; sons, Michael L. Poland of New Port Richey, Florida, and George Poland of Maryland; two grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and seven brothers.

The family suggests memorial contributions to Volinia Baptist Church, Decatur, MI 49045.

Edith Breckow

Edith A. Breckow, 73, of Frederic, died Tuesday, April 16, 1996, at her son's home in Newport. No services are planned. Burial was in Cadillac Memorial Gardens W., in Westland. Arrangements were made by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel.

Mrs. Breckow was born March 26, 1923, in Dearborn. She moved to Frederic 26 years ago from Plymouth. She and her husband, Harold, formerly owned and operated the San Sheri Restaurant in Frederic.

Mrs. Breckow was preceded in death by her husband, Harold, in 1984, and by her parents, Ernest and Mable (Moore) Buckner.

Survivors include: daughter, Sandra A. Cook of Davison; sons, Arthur J. Breckow of Westland, Harold L. Breckow of Gaylord, and John L. Breckow of Pompano Beach, Florida; sister, Myrna Buckner of Westland; eight grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Elsie Nolan

Elsie M. Nolan, 96, of Lansing, died Tuesday, April 16, 1996. Funeral services were held Friday, April 19, at 2 p.m., at the Gorsline-Runciman Co. Lansing Chapel, with the Rev. Pegg Ainslie officiating. Interment was in Evergreen Cemetery.

Mrs. Nolan was born Jan. 16, 1900, in Wisterman Village, Ohio. She was a member of the Central United Methodist Church and a life member of the O.E.S. #83, Grayling.

Survivors include: sister, Helen Warner of Lansing, formerly of Grayling.

Those desiring may make contributions in her memory to the Central United Methodist Church, 215 N. Capitol Ave., Lansing, MI 48933, or the Order of the Eastern Star #83, Grayling, MI 49738.

Earl Haight

A memorial service in honor of the late Earl L. Haight, former coach and administrator at Roscommon High school, is planned for May 4, at 2 p.m.

The service will be conducted on the athletic field next to Roscommon Elementary School.

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MILITARY NEWS

Eric Cain, a senior at Grayling High School, recently enlisted in the Marine Corps' Delayed Entry Program (DEP). The DEP allows high school seniors to enlist into the Marine Corps and defer going to recruit training until after graduation from high school.

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The first item on their agenda was to elect officers and committee chairs. Judith Baker was elected chairperson. John Mahank was elected vice-chair and Doris Birtcher was elected secretary.

The Finance Committee will consist of Chairman John Mahank, Randy Black and Doris Birtcher.

The Personnel Committee will be chaired by Randy Black. Other members are Judith Baker and Jan Besonen.

The Activities Committee will be chaired by Jan Besonen, with Activities Director Jan Farley and a third member to be named later.

The Nutrition Committee Chairman will be Fred Shippy, with Jerry Galvani and a third member to be named later.

The In-Home Services Committee will consist of Chairperson Doris Birtcher, In-Home Services Director Nova Anderson and a member to be named later.



NEW COA BOARD TAKES THE OATH--Receiving the oath of office from Crawford County Clerk Sandra Moore (Far Right) are (L to R) Judith Baker, Jan Besonen, Bruce Bretzke, Randy Black, Doris Birtcher and John Mahank.

The Nominating Committee will be chaired by Bruce Bretzke, with Randy Black and Fred Shippy.

The Long Range Planning Committee is a committee of the whole.

It was determined that the first priority of the board would be to hire

a new Commission on Aging Director. Personnel Committee Chairman Randy Black said he hopes to have the 60 applications for the job screened within a few days to expedite the hiring process.

Members of the audience asked the

new board to support and stand behind the senior center staff and new director, once chosen. They also asked for a review of the organization's bylaws.

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By Gloria Mologianes

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Crawford County Sheriff Patrol

By Linda Sherwood

For the week of April 15-21

The Crawford County Sheriff Department responded to 158 incidents during the week of Monday, April 15 through Sunday, April 21. Almost half of those incidents occurred during the weekend.

On Friday, April 19, the sheriff department assisted Roscommon County Sheriff Department in locating an escaped prisoner. Roscommon County requested assistance at almost midnight. The prisoner was in custody by 1:10 a.m. Loose cats are still a problem at a home on Dawn Drive where over 50 cats were recently removed by the animal control officer. Neighbors have complained about loose cats coming from the home. The neighbor stated the cats are very wild. The animal control officer has set live traps to capture the remaining cats. Two dog bites were reported during the week, along with 29 other animal control complaints. A possible rabid cat was picked up by the animal control officer on Sunday, April 21. The cat was on the porch of a home on Manistee Street at 9:58 a.m. The caller said the cat was foaming at the mouth and patches of hair were missing. The cat was taken into custody and turned over to the animal shelter. An official from the shelter said the cat isn't rabid. The cat was covered in fuel oil, which it apparently licked causing it to become ill.

A break-in was reported on Black Bear Drive. It was the only break-in reported during the week.

A rollover on southbound I-75 near mile marker 252 resulted in nine phone calls to central dispatch. The accident occurred approximately 8 a.m. There were no injuries resulting from the rollover. There were two other rollovers during the week.

A car spun, landing in a ditch on West M-72, near Burton's Landing Road at 10:21 a.m. on Monday, April 15. A female in the vehicle received a head injury. An ambulance was requested. Twenty-three other accidents were investigated during the week, 16 involved deer.

On Thursday, April 18, the department received a report of a traffic hazard on Crestwood Drive. Apparently two vehicles were playing games. The vehicles were described as a blue convertible and a silver Ford Ranger pick-up. The incident occurred at 11 p.m. Officers noted the vehicles were gone upon their arrival to the area. The convertible was later located in town.

On April 18, the department looked into a report of a light bulb being found in a bag of ice purchased in Crawford County. Officers responded to a fight at the Red Barn on Friday at 11:31 p.m. The fist-fight involved six subjects. No other weapons were used.

On Sunday, April 21, a juvenile was reported missing by his parents at 10:24 a.m. The 13-year-old boy had slipped out of his bedroom window Saturday night, returning home at 2 a.m. drunk. After arguing with his parents, the boy ran off. The parents hadn't heard from him since then. The boy returned home later that morning when an officer was on the scene. The officer turned the incident over to probate court.

Strong pain medication is believed to be the reason a caller reported "invaders in my house" on Sunday morning. The caller stated the invaders could make themselves invisible and then crawl around on the floor like a worm. Speaking with the caller's spouse, the officer found out the caller was on strong pain medication.

Deputies also investigated six suspicious situations, two reports of child abuse, two assaults, four incidents of property damage and one obscenity complaint.

Glen's awarded Bronze Smokey Award

Glen's Markets have been named as the recipient of a National Bronze Smokey Award for outstanding service to wildfire prevention. This is one of only 10 such awards given nationally in 1995. The award was presented to the Glen's corporate managers at a ceremony in Gaylord on Wednesday, April 17. The presentation took place at the Glen's store there.

Glen's Markets received this award for their partnership with the Michigan Interagency Wildland Fire Protection Association over the past five years. In keeping with their "good-neighbor" policy, Glen's has worked closely with the association to promote public awareness of wildfire prevention. They have provided advertising space in their weekly flyer that reaches over 170,000 homes in northern Michigan, have sponsored events for local children and provided them with the opportunity to learn how to prevent wildfires from Smokey himself.

"Glen's Markets have provided an important service to wildland fire managers in Michigan," said Gerald Thiede, Michigan state forester. "Their assistance has enabled us to increase our effectiveness at preventing unwanted human-caused wildfires in the northern part of the state. It's a privilege to honor and thank them for their effort in this way."

Kirtland announces 1996-97 Performing Artist Series line-up

Kirtland Community College is pleased to announce Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts' 1996-97 Performing Artist Series line-up. All performances are on Saturdays and take place in the Gilbert I. Stewart Auditorium on the campus of Kirtland Community College.

The following artists will take the stage:

June 1: The Armstrongs with Ray Kamalay. This world-class trio, featuring fiddler William Howard Armstrong, 87-years-young, plays gospel, blues, Tin Pan Alley standards and ragtime. 2 and 8 p.m.

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Nov. 9: Maynard Ferguson and his Big Bop Nouveau Band. Known as

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Dec. 14: The Traverse Symphony Orchestra Christmas Concert. This holiday tribute to yuletide favorites will feature the full symphony and a guest vocalist. 8 p.m.

Jan. 11: Boots Randolph. The world-class "Yakety Sax" man of the Stardust Theatre in Nashville takes a weekend off to "sing" his sax at Kirtland. 8 p.m.

Feb. 15: The Harlem Spiritual Ensemble. Devoted to the preservation

of the American Negro Spiritual, the group brings to life the spirit expressed in their songs. 8 p.m.

March 1: The Glass Menagerie. The Acting Company's highly-acclaimed production of this Tennessee Williams' classic. 8 p.m.

April 5: Naima Shamborguer. Jazz vocalist extraordinaire, Naima is a noted performer of Cole Porter standards, as well as show tunes and the blues. 8 p.m.

May 10: Mr. Jack Daniels' Original Silver Comet Band. A brass band to

beat all brass bands. This show is not to be missed. Get your seats early. 8 p.m.

Season tickets for all events go on sale April 22. Individual tickets are available for sale on May 6. Buy your summer and winter series together and save an additional 10 percent.

For ticket information, or if you would like to make a reservation, contact the Kirtland Ticket Office at (517) 275-6777.

MILITARY NEWS

Air Force Master Sgt. Thomas H. Feldhauser has arrived for duty at RAF Mildenhall, England.

The master sergeant also was awarded the Air Force Achievement Medal and the Meritorious Service Medal.

The medals are awarded to those individuals who demonstrate outstanding achievement or meritorious service in the performance of their duties, on behalf of the Air Force.

He distinguished himself by outstanding achievement and meritorious service as the supervisor of Product Improvement Program/Technical Order Distribution Office, 440th Wing (Provisional) at King Abdul Aziz Air Base, Dhahran, Saudi Arabia.

Feldhauser, a resource manager, is the son of Norman H. and Helen M. Feldhauser of Grayling.

The sergeant graduated in 1976, from Grayling High School, and received an associate degree in 1986, from the Community College of the Air Force.

Questions answered by the VA

Question: I completed the Persian Gulf registry examination, but I have not heard anything about my claim. When should I hear something from the VA about compensation?

Answer: The examination under the registry program is separate and distinct from the compensation process. It is imperative that you contact your local benefits office (1-800-827-1000) to get instructions on filing a claim. While the information that was gathered during the registry health examination can be used in connection with a claim, Congress made it clear that the special physical examination authority is for health care only.



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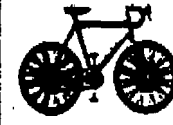
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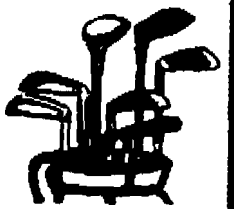


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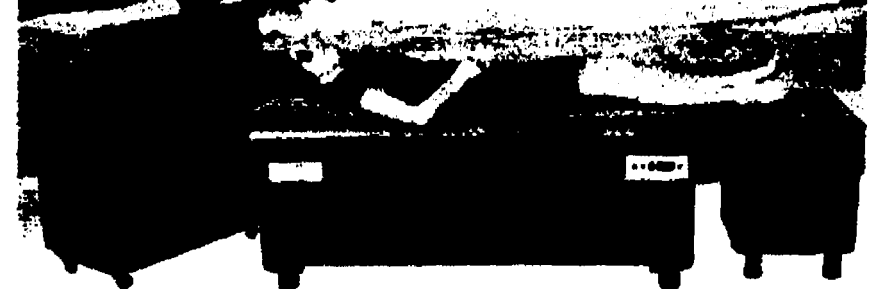
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By Molly J. Gudritz
Capital News Service

Grayling-area merchants may not see as large a boost for business as in recent years because of a decline in National Guardsmen coming to Camp Grayling for training.

For several two-week periods during the summer the National Guard sends men from Michigan, Ohio and Indiana units for training. Camp Grayling is expecting almost 9,000 Guardsmen this year. A little over 5,000 are from Michigan, and almost 4,000 are from both Ohio and Indiana.

This year, there are two, 2-week periods when National Guardsmen will be training in Grayling: the latter half of June and beginning of August.

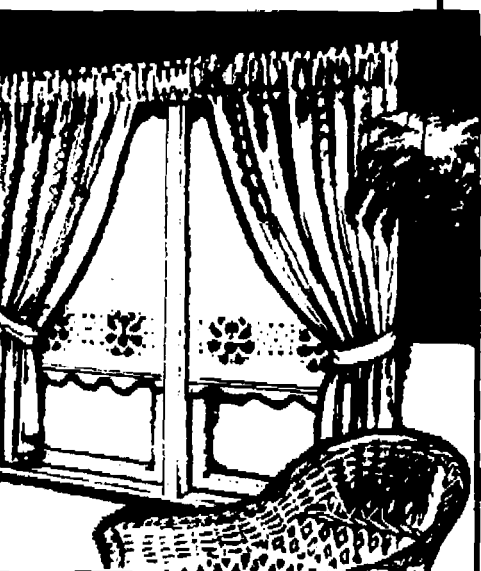
This year, 4,300 soldiers are expected in the first two-week period, and 3,300 are expected in the second, said Lt. Col. Jerry Foehl, Camp Grayling public affairs officer.

"Total count is done, but this is still beneficial to the community," he said.

Foehl remembers a time when 16,000 soldiers came to Camp Grayling at a time.

Local merchants agree there is a boost in business during these two-week periods.

"We already have reservations for the Guards and their families this summer," said Ann Richardson, West Winds Inn owner. "Business goes up 100 percent here during those two weeks."



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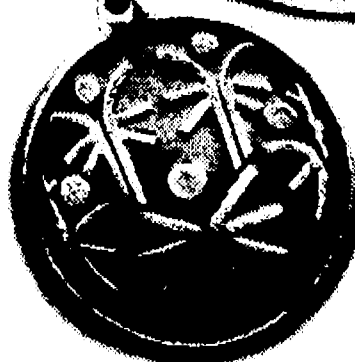


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Less GIs in camp = less \$\$ in pocket

Kim Schmidt, Holiday Inn sales director, agrees business goes up, but explains that there is an increase in business anyway because of the summer season.

"It's important that they're (National Guard) here," she said.

Training entails many different activities for soldiers in everything from infantry to marksmanship training.

"Guardsmen all meet in a different city and are coming here to practice the job that they already do," Foehl said.

Foehl believes there are many benefits for a town such as Grayling, when the National Guard annual training begins.

"It depends on the number of soldiers, but they do some element of shopping, among other activities that have been recognized by the merchants," he said.

Maj. Jim McCrone, state public affairs officer for the Michigan National Guard, believes the largest benefit for a town such as Grayling is economic.

He also believes it helps northern Michigan tourism in general.

"Many soldiers get time off and take trips around the area," he said. "A lot of people plan their vacations around this two-week training period."

Soldiers are sent to Camp Grayling for 15 days of active duty with evenings off and a weekend break in the middle.

During this time, soldiers are free to shop and spend time looking around Grayling. Some soldiers have their families visit and stay in local motels, and many plan vacations around annual training.

"It's not uncommon for an individual to spend \$200 on a free weekend or \$40 to \$50 on an evening during a two-week period," Foehl said.

Foehl also explains the number of Guardsmen attending annual training has been down in recent years for a number of reasons.

Many soldiers are being sent to Atlanta this summer for security detail at the Summer Olympics and others are being sent overseas, he said.

The amount of money being spent by soldiers also has decreased because the Guardsmen's paychecks are now directly deposited into their accounts instead of giving them cash.

Rep. Allen Lowe, R-Grayling, agrees numbers have been down in recent years and remembers the days when soldiers were given cash directly.

"I remember when I was a kid and the Guardsmen would get their paychecks and go into town on evening. There were a lot more of them back then," he said.

Lowe and Jerry Meyer, Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce director, agree business and Grayling tourism in general is boosted during the two-week training, but they have also noticed the decrease in the numbers of Guardsmen coming to Camp Grayling in recent years.

"This event brings many people into the area," Lowe said. "It doesn't just help Grayling, but it also helps surrounding counties. Even though the groups coming haven't been as big, they still have an impact."

Meyer believes some of the changes in the ways the soldiers are paid has something to do with the decreasing impact the annual training has had on area businesses.

"Soldiers used to be paid in cash and then go out and spend money," he said. "Now the streets just aren't as full of men in uniform."

Meyer sees many long-term benefits for Grayling.

"People come up here and see the area," he said. "They may decide to buy property. This is like subliminal advertising."

Applications for Head Start taken May 2

Applications for the 1996-97 Head Start Program will be taken between the hours of 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Thursday, May 2, at the Grayling Head Start Center, 557 N. I-75 Business Loop (across from the National Guard Airfield), just north of Grayling.

Head Start is a free, comprehensive child-development pre-school program for children, 3-5 years of age,

who meet eligibility requirements. The goal is to increase social and educational skills.

When applying, parents or guardians should bring proof of income, a copy of the child's birth certificate, the child's immunization record, parent's or guardian's Social Security number, and Medicaid card (if applicable). For more information, call (517) 348-7639.

'Earth Day' a year-round issue in northern Michigan

Concerns about water quality, parks and natural resources aren't just one-day issues in northern Michigan, said the U.S. congressman who represents the area.

"The First Congressional District touches three Great Lakes, contains four national parks and has forestry as its number-one industry," Rep. Bart Stupak, D-Menominee, said recently.

"Officials from those districts have a number of daily concerns, such as housing, crime and transportation, that don't relate directly to the environment."

Earth day, he said, is an opportunity for the rest of the nation, as well as residents of the district itself, to rediscover the value of pristine areas like northern Michigan.

DEQ takes action in first six months

By Molly J. Gudritz
Capital News Service

The new Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) has completed an ambitious six-month agenda, including closing unlicensed waste dumps and holding town meetings.

Michigan Gov. John Engler created the DEQ by executive order last October. The functions of the DEQ used to be a part of the Department of Natural Resources (DNR). Under the new system the DEQ handles air and water permits, hazardous waste and wetlands regulation. The DNR handles hunting and fishing, state parks and state forests.

DEQ Director Russell Harding cited several major successes in the DEQ's first six months in an interview with Capital News Service.

"Almost 20 percent of cases that did not have time to be heard by the DNR alone have been resolved since the formation of the DEQ."

"A number of public meetings have been launched statewide with the department director and key management staff so they can hear residents' concerns firsthand."

"Three unlicensed waste dumps in Detroit and Macomb County have been closed."

"We take great pride in these achievements," Harding said. "Having a separate agency dedicated to serving Michigan's environmental needs clearly is paying off for our families,

resources and economy. We've already made significant strides in the areas of customer service, public outreach, pollution prevention and vigorous enforcement."

One northern Michigan lawmaker believes the benefits of the DNR/DEQ transition will be seen on more of long-term basis.

"I think the jury is still out on this," said Rep. Allen Lowe, R-Grayling. "I would say that the transition hasn't been as good as supporters said it would be, but it's not been as devastating as non-supporters thought either."

Lowe did wish that Engler had let legislators vote on the restructuring, instead of using an executive order.

"I think he thought he was helping legislators," he said. "I think Engler thought this was a cleaner process, but I wish that we (legislators) had a chance to discuss this change."

Harding believes the DNR was such a large agency that there was not enough time or manpower to focus on environmental issues that needs consideration.

"The DNR is a large agency. Too large," he said. "The DNR didn't include division chiefs. Now we've been able to hire them and focus on some issues we weren't about to focus on before."

More facts about the DEQ transition and accomplishments are available on the Internet at <http://www.deq.state.mi.us>.

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DOODLES FROM THE TALL TIMBER

By Wendell L. Hoover, Park Interpreter, North Higgins Lake State Park

This segment of the River of Sands is dedicated to the memory of all those who suffered from the results of forest fires, and to all those who toiled and sometimes died in the effort to bring forest fires under control.

Then came the fires, catastrophic fire storms that swept through the slash left by the loggers. Certainly there were forest fires from the time there was fuel to burn, and early explorers made note of such fires in their journals. In 1911, an abrupt end was put to the sawmill towns of AuSable and Oscoda at the mouth of the AuSable River, when fire swept through the slashings in Isoco County, taking some 20 lives as well. The 1911 fire may have been the last to claim lives, but it wasn't the last to be, by any means. In 1925, over 135 thousand acres of land was burned

in the AuSable watershed. In 1928, nearly 30 thousand acres burned in Crawford County alone, and in 1933, the Lovells fire consumed the better part of 30 thousand acres.

Much of the AuSable River valley has a generous layer of sand, compliments of glacial outwash, and it was the sand that defeated the dreams of the homesteaders who bought the land for little when the loggers were done. Authors note: The late Lacey Stephan Sr. told me long ago that they were able to get a good crop only one year out of seven, on their land near the present Stephan Bridge. One crop that does thrive on those sand plains is jack pine, and it is only in this watershed where a warbler called Kirtland's makes it home.

According to one source, a

Kirtland's was collected in the Caribbean in 1841, and another near Cleveland in 1851, on the farm of Dr. Jared Kirtland, but it wasn't until 1903, that the summer nesting location of the warbler was pinned down by Norman Wood, a curator of birds in Ann Arbor. We can only guess about the population of the birds prior to the use of controlled fires to maintain the specialized habitat required for this diminutive songster of the Jack Pines Plains.

When the efforts of fire control and

prevention started eliminating the really large and devastating fires, and the C.C.C.s (Civilian Conservation Corps) engaged in the planting of a new forest and erosion control along the various branches of the river, it finally began to return to a semblance of its former self. Gone were the old cedar sweepers and its often deep-shadowed channel, but it was becoming clear of silt and debris, even though an occasional saw log was washed out of hiding by the high water of spring.

City income taxes due April 30

Officials with the City of Grayling treasurer's office would like to remind taxpayers that the deadline for filing previous year's returns, without penalty, is Tuesday, April 30, 1996.

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Celebrate Earth Day with recycle pledge

Motorists who service their own vehicles can celebrate Earth Day by recycling drained motor oil. These motorists can help preserve a healthy environment for this state's future generations.

The American Petroleum Institute estimates that half of all car owners change their own oil. That means nearly 3 million Michiganders drain 9 million gallons of their own oil annually. About two-thirds of the oil is poured into drains, discarded as trash or otherwise dumped in the ground, while the rest is properly recycled.

Earth Day, which was Monday, April 22, was a perfect time to recycle—it not only makes environmental sense, but it's a key oil conservation step.

AAA Michigan advises motorists who change their own oil to drain it

into a container, such as a milk jug, and take it to a service station with a recycling sign or other recycling centers.

Another item do-it-yourselfers should recycle is a dead car battery. Car batteries are corrosive. Dispose of them at a participating service station or other recycling site. When needing a new battery, trade-in the old one at the dealer. Disposal of batteries in trash is illegal.

Stored fuels, which no longer will be used, should be taken to a collection site. Clean up fuel spills immediately with cat litter or absorbent pads. Never use gas or kerosene as a solvent, paint thinner or weed killer, and always store fuels away from combustible materials.

One quart of oil can foul the taste of 250,000 gallons of water, while one pint of used oil can create a one-acre oil slick on water.

4-H holds safety workshop

Plan on attending a 4-H workshop if you are youth who babysit, or who spend time with grandparents and younger siblings, if you are a licensed day care, a parent, a grandparent or anyone who wants to be prepared for emergencies at home, at work or in the public.

The class will be taught by certified instructor Kathy Moberak and some of the topics covered will be: Heimlich maneuver (for choking victims); safety prevention/care of children; what to do when an accident occurs; how to handle a seizure and what to do;

geriatrics (alzheimers, safety factors); poisoning, ingestions, contact, inhaled, plants and flowers; sudden injury, falls, bleeding, wounds.

The workshop will be held on Saturday, May 4, in the basement of the Crawford County Courthouse, from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., with a half-hour lunch break. Bring a sack lunch. The cost is \$5, registration is limited so enroll now.

Registration deadline is May 1. No walk-ins will be accepted. Call the 4-H office to register, or for more information, at 348-2841, ext. 264.

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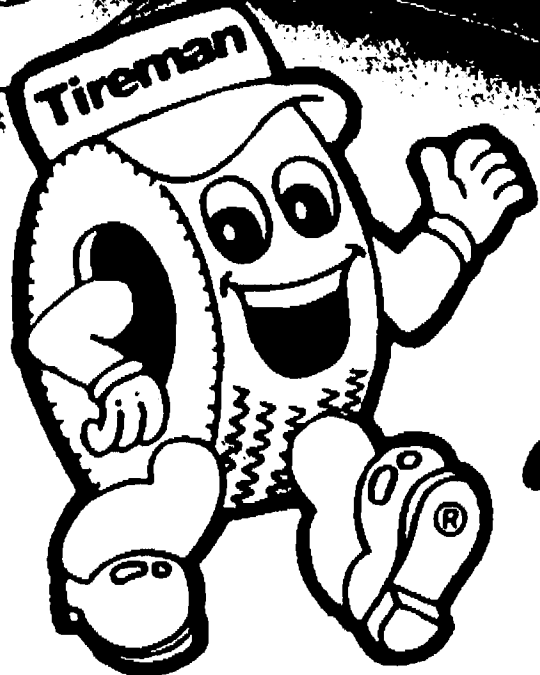
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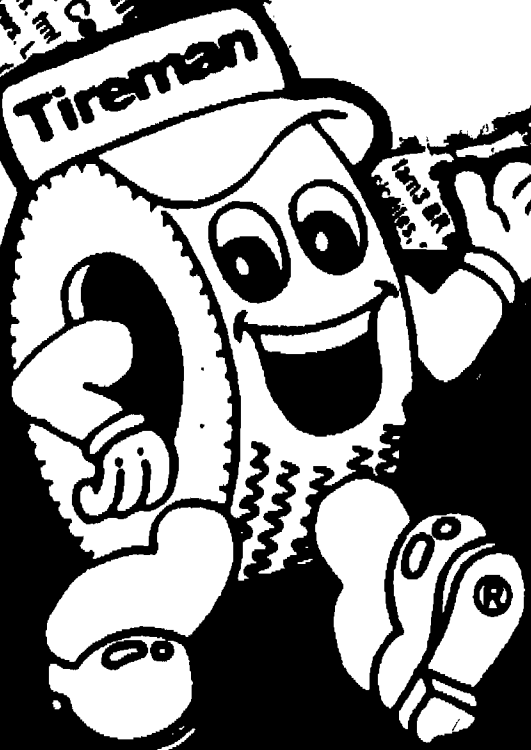
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Chief Shoppenagon Hotel celebrates 80th birthday



THE GRAND OPENING CELEBRATION—Grayling residents and members of the Bay City Board of Commerce shown in front of the Chief Shoppenagon Hotel on April 27, 1916.

The Chief Shoppenagon Inn will celebrate its 80th anniversary on Saturday and Sunday, April 27-28. The hotel opened its doors to the public on April 27, 1916.

Throughout the coming weekend, from 1 to 5 p.m., the hotel will be hosting a celebration, including historical displays, crafts and complimentary hors d'oeuvres. The 200-seat dining room will feature a special steak, king crab and rainbow trout dinner both Saturday and Sunday evenings, and live entertainment with "Boogie 2 Shooz" will be featured on stage.

Hotel manager Nancy Graf is in the process of remodeling all of the 15 guest rooms, each in a separate theme. Some of the rooms will be decorated in honor of Crawford County's pioneer families.

As part of the celebration, the Crawford County Avalanche is pleased to reprint some of the history of the hotel and its namesake, Chippewa Chief David Shoppenagon, which was first compiled and printed in the Grayling centennial book, "The First Hundred Years."

No story of Grayling could ever be complete without telling of its hotels, and particularly of its most famous, Shoppenagon's Inn.

The site of the present Inn was certainly flamed in the early days of Grayling, and there are those of more recent times who still wonder if the

jinx doesn't hold. Mike Hartwick is reported to have built the first hotel on the site in 1872, but a tornado demolished the building before it was completed. Three times thereafter the hotels there were destroyed by fire. For many years the site stood vacant after the last fire.

Grayling had many places where one could rent a room in the early days of the lumbering and mills. There were rooming houses, hotels, places above saloons and a variety of choices from which the weary traveler, the tired lumbermen in town for a weekend or the fellow just out for a good time could find a bed. This is not to imply that most places in Grayling were "sporting houses." They weren't, although it is reported by those with good memories that such delicacies of urban civilization did indeed exist in Grayling.

It was finally decided, upon the urging of Rasmus Hanson, Nels Michelson and their business associates, that the long fenced-in site of the burned out hotel would be where a new hotel would be built. It was to be called the Hartwick Hotel. Accordingly, one was started, and when it opened as Shoppenagon's Inn in early May of 1916, the Avalanche

reports of the occasion make one wonder whether the hotel was in New York or Grayling. In any case, it must have been a grand and glorious affair. The honored out-of-town guests included the membership of the Bay City Board of Commerce. Excerpts from that issue of the Avalanche tell far better than we can of the opening.

"Paramount to the features entering in the celebration of the opening of Shoppenagon's Inn last Thursday was the banquet and program in the evening. It was a problem to handle the crowd, but Mine Host Fink was there with the goods. Room was the only thing lacking...

"By spreading tables in the dining room and lobby with just enough aisle room for serving enabled them to seat 173 guests. Soon after "six bells," with the members of Bay City Board of Commerce in advance, the company marched from the Grayling Social Club rooms to the hotel, which for the first time opened its doors for service...

"Sixty who were unable to find seats were served in the Royal Cafe, next door to the hotel...

"Clark's orchestra was playing softly in the ladies' parlor, and as soon as all were seated there was a flurry of young girl waiters, their entrance eliciting a hearty applause...

The menu was delicious and consisted of consommé, celery, olives and pickles. Baked white fish with parsley sauce and roast young turkey with cranberry sauce. New green peas, new cream potatoes and head lettuce with thousand island dressing. Ice cream, cake, Rouquefort cheese and crackers. Coffee and cigars. Champagne was served with the first course, and the banquet opened with a cheering toast to the new hostelry...

"During the banquet, the orchestra played several selections, and J. Fred Alexander, Grayling's popular

baritone, sang several pleasing solos...

"Thorwald W. Hanson, as toastmaster, opened the program by introducing Mayor Hans Petersen who, in behalf of the people of Grayling, welcomed the visitors in a most cordial and pleasing manner, to "The only town on the map." His talk was brief, but full of earnestness and running over with enthusiasm for his home town...

"Mayor F. P. S. Kelton, of Bay City responded to Mr. Petersen's talk. There comes a turning point—a time when the future of a city rests upon a pivotal point...You, too, here in Grayling have also passed that critical period, but in a different way, in that our dynamic move for a new future was fostered and made possible through the munificence and public spirit of your foremost citizen Rasmus Hanson...

"You have always been prosperous in Grayling, but the life of the lumber industry in its present state is limited...

"There is another citizen of Grayling whom I hoped might be here on this most auspicious occasion but whom sickness detains—that is Mr. Nels Michelson..."

"Mr. O. E. Sovereign, president of the Bay City Board of Commerce, alluded to Grayling as a miniature Bay City. He said that Grayling was founded on lumber, and that Mr. Hanson and Mr. Michelson, who had made their money here, were staying right here to spend it and to help to continue the prosperity of Grayling...

"He paid a high compliment to the enterprise that had made possible the fine new hotel. The new school building came in for a fine share of favorable comment, so richly deserved, and the speaker assured his auditors that Bay City would before long have even a better one...

"Grayling, the subject of the next

talk, by Melvin A. Bates, was reminiscent with Grayling history, from the days of the first hotel, general store with post office combined and portable saw mill. The streets were paved with saw dust and a new pavement was put down every year. Soon saw dust found a more useful purpose and gravel was used and the speaker predicted that the time was not far distant when a wood-block or brick pavement would be placed at least upon the main streets...

"W. F. Jennison, second vice-president of the Bay City Board of Commerce, said in his address on Reciprocity, that the subject was a tremendous one. He told of his visit here 46 years ago. As a traveling salesman, many years ago, he met failure in every town along the Michigan Central until he reached Grayling, when R. Hanson gave him an order for a pair of band saws...

"It was a half holiday in Grayling—the mills had closed at noon and the crowds were in parade attire. The Citizens band played a street concert before the Inn at 2:00 o'clock. The visitors were first ushered up the front stairs, where they inspected the sleeping rooms; they descended the back stairs and were shown the ladies parlor and lobby and finally the dining room, where they were served with sandwiches, salad, cake and coffee, and the men were offered smokes...

"The crowd began coming at 2:00 o'clock and kept it up until 5:00 and it was almost a continual procession. It was a happy sight to look into the faces of the hundreds of interested persons as they came and went. Old and young alike, many of whom were employees either at the Salling, Hanson company or the R. Hanson & Sons mill, mingled together in happy union. The band had stationed itself in the lobby and

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David Shoppenagon played vital role in area history

Every town has its own local color, usually lent it by a member of the community who is noted for his or her differences in appearance, dress, behavior, manner of speech, or something else which sets that person widely apart from the average person in the community. Grayling was more fortunate than most in that it had a large variety of rare individuals from which to choose. And among these individuals David Shoppenagon stood head and shoulders above the rest.

David Shoppenagon was a Chippewa Indian who moved to Grayling with his family sometime in 1876. According to Rube Babbitt, writing in the Crawford Avalanche:

"...He has always gone by the name of Shoppenagons here in Grayling but the old Indian told me many times that his name was not Shoppenagons, but Shop-neo-gaunee, which would be a sewing needle in the Chippewa language. His father was a Chippewa Chief and took part in what was known as the Greenville Treaty with a number of other tribes of Indians as long ago as 1795, for the purpose of putting an end to warfare. These other tribes included were the Wyandottes, Delawares, Shawanoes, Ottawas, Pottawamies, Miami, and a number of other tribes.

"...It was very interesting to hear the old Indian tell of wars that the Chippewas had with other tribes of Indians as long ago as his great

grandfather's time.

"...Shop-neo-gaunee and his son Thomas came to Grayling the first time in the fall of 1875, to hunt deer. They lived on Swan Creek in Saginaw County and there were no more deer at that time south of Bay City.

"...The hunting was so good that he decided to move to Grayling the next spring.

"...At that time we had a great many martin and fisher that were a high priced fur. These animals were adapted to the pine timber. We also had good beaver, otter, and mink trapping. Wolf, lynx and bobcats were not considered as furbearing animals in those days.

"...When Shop-neo-gaunee came here to live he built a wigwam at the mouth of the east branch of the AuSable where it empties into the main stream. He lived there until the Salling Hanson Lumber Company bought the Goodall mill and then Mr. Hanson gave him lumber enough to build a house and he built the house on a lot on the river near where the U.S. 27 bridge is now."

Three newspaper clippings from the Avalanche are of more than passing note, but add little to the legend of Shoppenagon.

December 28, 1911

"...Christmas night about seven o'clock when the social life of our citizens was being enjoyed to the fullest, there passed away from his humble home on the AuSable a man

who, because of his race, his great age and vigor of manly strength, and by reasons of his unique personality, was one of the best known characters in Northern Michigan.

"...He is reputed to have been at one time a chief of his tribe, though we do not know that Shoppenagons himself claimed that distinction. It is generally believed, however, that he was in his prime a medicine man, a term among the aborigines supposed to combine the function of physician with that of a prophet, though we do not know that "Shop" claimed to possess the prophetic gift.

"...That he was an Indian of more than ordinary intelligence and influence among his tribe there can be no question.

"...His long life in the Saginaw Valley covers more years than the history of Michigan as a state and separate territory.

"...If the most conservative estimate of his age be true he must have been a boy of three when General Lewis Cass met the Chippewa Tribe in council fire on the Banks of the Saginaw in 1820, at a point on the West side where the court house now stands. If the less conservative be true, then he was a boy in his teens and must have known something of the grave topics discussed by his tribe with the government in that historic council.

"...Shoppenagons had a history which he might have told, but his familiar acquaintances of Grayling know nothing of it. He chose to keep his own council, and thus died with him tales of pioneer adventures, perchance, which would have rivalled the romance of "Leather Stocking Tales," or "The Last of the Mohicans."

"...Shoppenagons was a great hunter and trapper and was known to be an excellent marksman. He was familiar with practically every stream between Saginaw and Mackinaw.

"...He retained his excellent health up to about one year ago when his strength began to wane and his eyes lose their piercing keenness. It was less than two years ago that he made a trapping trip near Saginaw River and

was gone several weeks.

October 21, 1911

"Mrs. Irene Shoppenagons, wife of David Shoppenagons, died at their home in this village last Sunday evening at nine o'clock. She was ninety-six years of age and had been in poor health for some time. She was one of the few survivors of the Chippewa Indian tribe and was the third wife of Mr Shoppenagons. She had been a resident of Grayling for over thirty years. Funeral was held from the home Tuesday afternoon, and she was laid to rest in Elmwood Cemetery.

She has been an industrious, hard working woman and many a dollar was brought into the home by the deftness of her fingers in basket weaving."

August 23, 1917

"It became known during the past week that Mrs. Nancy Harris, who had made Grayling her home since birth had died August 7th at an Indian Reservation in the Northern part of the state of tuberculosis, of which she had been ailing for the past year or more. Mrs. Harris was a granddaughter of the old Indian Chief David Shoppenagons, who passed away in December, 1911. A small son, Edward, survives the deceased."

But Shoppenagon was much more than a legend and a set of obituary. He was a real person, who served a real purpose and is definitely a part of our local heritage. This was due in no small part to the acumen of Rasmus Hanson and those who ran the lumbering industry in our early days.

"The Chief" was a natural promotional object, a man who was willing to travel, who was willing to accept favors, a man who, as today's youth would say, "had it all together." He knew well that his image as an American Indian was in his favor, and that those who asked him to dress in chief's regalia would somehow reciprocate. Salling, Hanson and Company, and later Kerry and Hanson Flooring, used him as a symbol, a promotion item to increase the sale of their various products. This in no way is intended to detract from



Chippewa Chief David Shoppenagon

the image of the noble Chippewa, but is brought out only to emphasize that R. Hanson and David Shoppenagon were great friends—each of whom understood the needs of the other, and was perfectly willing to have an honest arrangement. The Indian did the promotion activities Hanson requested, and, in turn, Shoppenagon and his family were well taken care of by the Hanson business interests.

The old Indian guide and trapper became a symbol of Grayling and the fine products produced by its mills. He was a fixture at lumbermans' conventions, traveling as far as Buffalo and Philadelphia. He was very well known in the closer cities of Detroit and Chicago—always in his Chief's

regalia.

There can be little doubt that David Shoppenagon had much to do with the name of Grayling becoming a nationwide, indeed world-wide, symbol. Few peaceful American Indians have ever achieved the international recognition as did Shoppenagon.

Flooring leaving the plant in Grayling as well marked. Freight cars had lettering on the side which read "Another load of Chief Brand Flooring for..." and it might end with "Detroit," "San Francisco," "England," or "Argentina." Such was the legend of the man.

But he was much more than a

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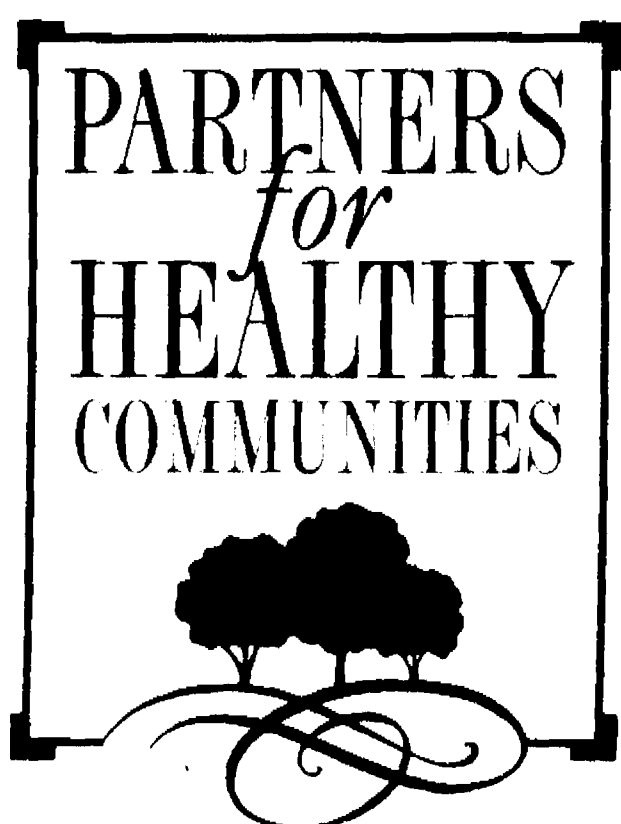
Historical museum to be open for hotel birthday

The Crawford County Historical Museum will be open this weekend because of the special occasion of the 80th birthday of the Shoppenagon's Hotel. At the hotel and also at the museum, will be displayed the picture of the group of people from Grayling who took part in the Thursday, April 27, 1916, opening of the hotel, as well as the group of Bay City Board of Trade members who must have ridden the

train up here to take part in the big celebration.

On Saturday, April 27, the museum will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and on Sunday, April 28, it will be open from 12 noon until 4 p.m. This is the only weekend that the museum is expected to be open until the Memorial Day weekend, when it opens for the season. Come on down to the end of "main street" Michigan Avenue and join in the festivities.

Thanks for being our ...



During National Volunteer Week, April 21 - 27, 1996, Grayling Mercy Hospital gratefully acknowledges the many contributions for service and fundraising from all our volunteers.

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The Window Shop
Elinor Meyers, Auxiliary volunteer



Family pictorial lineage presentation
Billie Van Eck, Mercy Hospital Auxiliary, Lynn Nally, publicity chairperson for Mercy Auxiliary and Gertie Westlake, Arts & Crafts Show chairperson presenting a family lineage pictorial created for Gerald and Donna Keyser, who won the pictorial as a prize from the 1994 Auxiliary Arts & Crafts Show.

Viking varsity baseball and softball teams open with wins over Lake City

By Tom Haskel

With spring finally arriving, the Grayling Viking varsity baseball and softball teams traveled to Lake City on Thursday, April 18, for their season openers. The visitors from Grayling came home happy, as both varsity teams won their opening games. The Viking baseball team swept the twin bill, winning by scores of 9-7 and 6-2, while the softball team split their doubleheader with a winning score of 5-4 in the first game, and a loss of 9-7 in the nightcap.

With snow and cold limiting the Grayling baseball team to two outside practices on the high school parking lot, the Viking ball players got their first look at a diamond and live action. Overcoming some minor defensive mistakes due to lack of playing field time, the team's pitching and batting were better than expected. Jason Thompson opened the season on the mound and struck out nine batters. Eddy Baynham with five hits, Andy Perrin with two doubles out of five hits, and Thompson with three hits, were the top batters for the day. Jason Hatfield and Travis Weaver were adept in getting on base and giving the Viking offense opportunities to score. Rounding out the Grayling batters with one hit each were Ben Haskel, Justin Eddy, Scott Hartman, Hatfield and Weaver. Baynham pitched the second game, which was called after three innings, and allowed only two Lake City runs.

Coach Fred Wolcott stated that he

was pleased with the overall effort of the Vikings, considering their lack of playing time. Wolcott feels that defense and pitching will be the keys to a successful Viking season. In addition to having strong athletic skills, the Vikings of 1996 possess a solid work ethic, which should pay dividends as the season wears on.

The Viking girls' softball team also looked exceptionally sharp in what Coach Gerry St. Germain called the

first outdoor practice and game of the season. Outstanding pitching by Renee Wesley and Nicki Oaga led to both games being decided in the final inning. Each Grayling pitcher allowed only four walks, and Wesley struck out eight Lake City batters. St. Germain was impressed by the Viking ballplayers' defensive aggressiveness when backing up plays and hitting. Arica Burkett batting .667 with one double, Jennifer Richardson batting .500 with a home run, and Jessica St. Germain hitting .400 with a triple, led the Grayling offense.

Coach St. Germain indicated that the softball team accomplished everything he wanted in this season opener. He feels that the Grayling team is dedicated to becoming students of the game and learning from their mistakes. Coach David Sabin was cited as being an important asset in working with the pitchers, and helped stop a key Lake City rally in the first game, with timely advice during a fourth-inning visit to the mound.



TAKING THE MOUND --

Pictured above is Jason Thompson pitching to Andy Perrin. At right is Jessica St. Germain.



Viking Lift-a-thon Final Results



THE REAL FINAL RESULTS -- In the April 18 edition of the Avalanche, the final standings of the Lift-a-thon were incorrect. The Avalanche apologizes for any problems this may have caused. Charles DeMoines finished in first place in the ninth grade category with a lift +59 pounds over his weight. Travis Beckett was second with +37 and Travis Huber was third with +25. Finishing in first place for the tenth grade division was Joe Woidan with +91, Nate Niederer in second with +84 and Jesse Hannum in third with +45. Juniors and seniors competed in a combined category. Taking first place was Dale Kniss with a 305 pound lift, which is +82 pounds over his body weight. Isaac Tobin was in second with a lift +78 pounds over his body weight and in third was Chris Kucharek with a +70 lift.

Chief Shoppenagon celebrates 80th

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played softly. It was another of such events as will go down in the history of Grayling...

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"Saturday night Shoppenagon's Inn

opened in real earnest for business. While it is doubtful if it may ever become a financial success, its prestige and influence may easily be claimed one of the important lifting levers in the progress and success of future Grayling."

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editor, did manage to struggle through two more owners, several remodelings and another two fires. But today it still stands, different on the inside from 1916, but modern in almost all respects, and pleasantly enough, with a good supply of its "young girl waiters." We feel quite sure that the Hotel, in spite of the jinx, will serve well the early visitors of the Second Hundred Years.

Played vital role in local history

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was an honest man, a talented man, an intelligent man who felt he could "contribute." Nothing more could be asked of any man.

There are those today who will say that he was nothing but a drunk, but the true facts belie this statement. He abhorred liquor in any form. He would accept cigars from men, but not from the women who occasionally would try to reward the Indian in some way. He did not accept handouts, as oft-times reported. He worked for what he received, and he deserved it. David Shoppenagon was as important to the growth of Crawford County area as were Rasmus Hanson, Nels Michelson, Dr. Palmer, Mike Hartwick and all the rest. It is only important to this and future generations that it be known he

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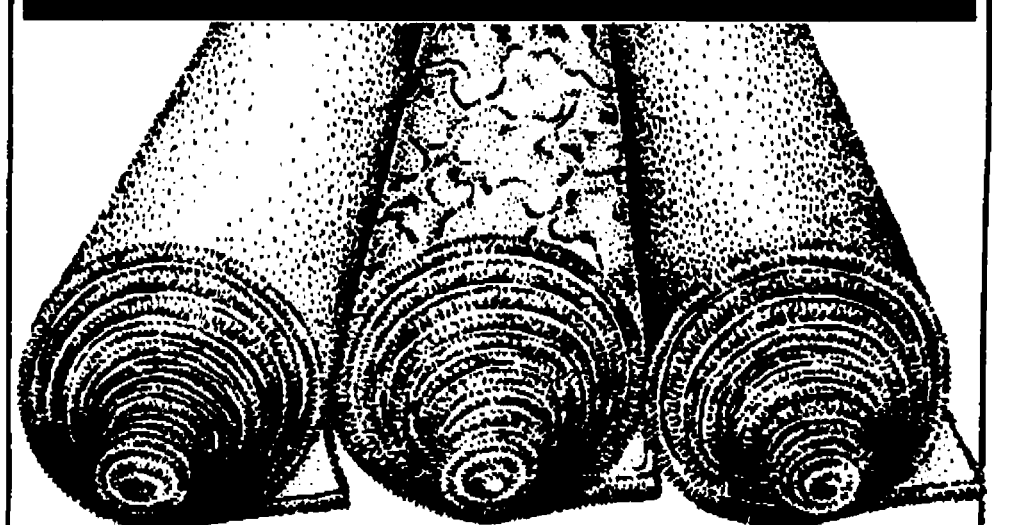
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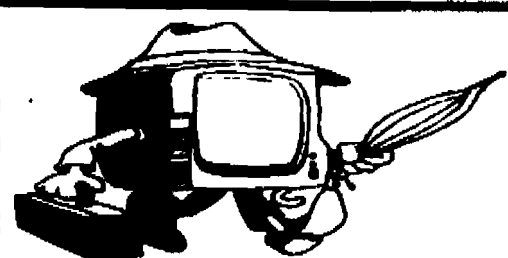
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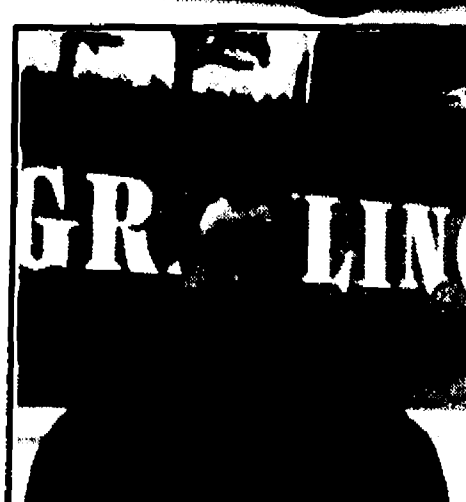


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Viking track team up and running

Competing in their first track meet in many years, the Grayling Vikings recently marked the end of their school's distinction of being the only Class-B school in the State of Michigan without a track program.

The Grayling High School boys' and girls' track teams met teams from Alcona, Onaway, Rogers City and Whittemore-Prescott on Thursday, April 18. The Viking girls, under the coaching of Doniel Pummell, placed fourth, and the boys, under coach Keith Seybert, placed fifth.

The meet was one of only two meets this season where the Vikings will face Great Northern Conference, Huron Division opponents.

"The team is off to a great start and we are looking forward to the rest of the season," said Pummell.

Girls results

Placing first for the girls was sophomore Amy Godlewski in the 1,600-meter run.

Taking second in the 3,200-meter run was sophomore Jamie McGuire. She, Godlewski and freshmen teammates Brooke Ginther and Natalie Kent also placed second in the 3,200-meter relay.

Placing third in the 1,600-meter run was freshman Mary Dobry. Ginther also placed third in the 800-meter run.

The girls 800-meter relay team of sophomore Melissa Ostwald, junior Angie Floriano and freshman Sara Eagen and Stephanie Wichert placed fourth. In the 800-meter relay, Ostwald, McGuire, Godlewski and Floriano finished fourth. Another fourth was taken by the 1,600-meter relay team of Dobry, Floriano, McGuire and Godlewski.

Brooke Ginther placed sixth in the high jump.

Boys results

For the boys, sophomore Jesse Hannum placed second in the 100-yard dash.

Sophomore Mickey McClain placed third in the 300-meter hurdles. Also taking third were the 400-meter relay team of senior Brett Hopp, juniors David Sabin and Joe Collen and McClain, and the 1,600-meter relay team of McClain, freshman Tylor Ballor, Hannum and senior Chris Kucharek.

DART LEAGUE

Red Barn "Animals"	33-9
Phan I "Germans"	31-18
Phan II "Rebels"	20-19
Shoppington's "Indians"	17-27
Froggie "Jumpers"	11-31

Attention Monday night golf league

The organizational meeting of the Monday night ladies golf league will meet on April 29, at 6 p.m. at the clubhouse. A lot of organization is needed, so everyone wanting to golf on the league is encouraged to attend.

For more information, call Beth Wheeler at 348-2438.

Sabin placed fourth in the 300-meter hurdles. Also in fourth was the 800-meter relay team of Collen, Hopp and junior Mike Marelich.

Sabin placed fifth in the 100-meter high hurdles. Senior Josh Stabinski placed fifth in the discus as did Hannum in the 1,600-meter run, Kucharek in the 400-meter dash and the 800-meter run, Colby in the shot put and freshman Neil Josza in the 3,200-meter run.

Stabinski finished sixth in the shot

put. The Vikings are competing in all their 1996 meets on opposing team's tracks, while the new Viking Stadium is being finished. Next spring, the Vikings will run on their own nine-lane, rubberized surface, in front of home crowds.

The team's next two meets are Monday, April 22 in Traverse City and Wednesday, May 1, in Charlevoix.

Viking boys tennis gets in the swing after 15 years

The Grayling Viking tennis team played their first meet of the season against Boyne City at home. The Vikings lost to the Ramblers 1-6.

Coch Tom Mills said the first game was exciting for the team. "We haven't played boys tennis for 15 or 16 years. This is a new sport. I was really, really pleased with the way they performed."

There are 13 members on the Viking's tennis team. The team plays four single matches and three double matches. Coach Mills ranks the players, identifying his top three players before each meet.

Currently Tom Mousa is ranked first, John Mousa second, Ryan Gaffke is third, with Mike Winters in fourth.

"It's a sport that if you produce, you play," said Mills. Team members that don't play for points can play for exhibition. "Generally, your best players play. If an individual goes out and doesn't work at it, it shows."

Results for the first match of the season was Mike Winters 6-1, 6-1, the only player to win his match for the Vikings; Tom Mousa 0-6, 0-6; Ryan Gaffke 3-4, 4-6 and Tristin Williams 2-6, 2-6. In doubles play, Shane Kolby and Gordon Elmsner lost 2-6, 2-6; Chris Jones and Travis Parkinson lost 1-6, 1-6, and Travis Beckett and Chris Ramsey lost 2-6, 0-6.

This week the Viking tennis team had games on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

BOWLING LEAGUE

Senior Citizen League		Sunday Night Mixed Doubles	
Sylvester's	72-48	Us & Them	39-21
Totten's Body Shop	68.5-51.5	Olson's Match	37.5-22.5
Becelli's	64-56	CSI	33-27
Cornell's	58-62	Robinson Const.	30.5-29.5
Flowers by Joie	58-62	M.A.D.S.	29-31
Century 21	56.5-63.5	Computer Services	24-36
Baylham	54-66	Mac's Drugs	24-36
Larry & Joan's	49-71	All Seasons Drywall	23-37
Men's High Game: B. Dandy, 213, L. Bannister, 181, G. Wolfe, 179. Men's High Series: B. Dandy, 545, L. Bannister, 496, O. Brantley, 495.		Men's High Game: D. Canfield, 201, R. Pyle, J. Helsel, 192, S. Miller, 179. Men's High Series: J. Helsel, 536, R. Pyle 550, D. Canfield, 528.	
Women's High Game: D. Mead, 188, 176, L. Dandy, 174. Women's High Series: D. Mead, 492, B. Barnett, 475, A. Payne, 449.		Women's High Game: M. Hawkins, 205, J. Hard, 200, M. Miller, 180. Women's High Series: M. Hawkins, 495, N. Glandis, 488, J. Hinde, 481.	
American Mens League		Pioneer League	
McLennan Hardware	36-20	Aunt Betty's	36-20
Stitches by Sue	35-21	Bagles	35-21
Red Barn	34-22	Champion Bank	34-22
Rod's Auto Body	29-27	Custons Interior	29-27
BCI	27-29	Millikin's	29-27
Auto Parts	23-33	Avalanche	22-34
Upper Lakes Tire	23-33	Mercy Hospital	22-34
Fenton's Auto Service	17-39	M&M Crafts	16-40
High Game: J. Thayer, 211, L. Davis, Jr., J. Arwood, 209. High Series: R. Pyle, 565, L. Davis, 550, L. Davis, Jr., 532.		High Game: J. Yoder, 208, S. Franco, M. Poon, 203, C. Joann, 194. High Series: S. Franco, 552, J. Harland, 541, J. Yoder, 531.	

Grayling Little League tryouts scheduled for April 27

The Grayling Little League will hold tryouts for the major league baseball division (ages 10 to 12) from 12 noon to 2 p.m., and senior league baseball division (ages 13 to 15) on April 27, at Millikin Field in Grayling. Registrations for these divisions will be taken at Sylvester's in Grayling, through April 26, and at Millikin Field during the tryouts on April 27. Late registrations will not be accepted for these two divisions after draft night on Monday, April 29, unless approved by the board of directors, for extenuating circumstances.

The minor league (ages 7 to 9/10) and major/minor league (ages 9/10 to 12) division teams will be picked on Monday, April 29, during the draft, that will be held at the Grayling Holiday Inn, beginning at 6 p.m. Late registrations may be accepted for these two divisions on a first-come, first-serve basis, and as roster sizes permit.

The registration for the girls' softball major and senior league divisions will be extended until May 24. Tryouts, draft night and season schedules for these softball divisions will be announced in the future.

The player registration fee is \$25 per player or \$50 per family. Parents must provide a copy of their child's birth certificate and purchase player pants. Pants may be purchased at Sylvester's either now at the store or used from the league.

Any questions on registrations, tryouts or team selection may be directed to the player agent, Dianne Tobin, at (517) 348-5361, or league president, Tom Haskel, at (517) 348-8722.

Attention: Little League rules now allow 7-year-olds to play in the minor league. Because of this, registrations for the minor league only, will be extended until Sunday, May 5.

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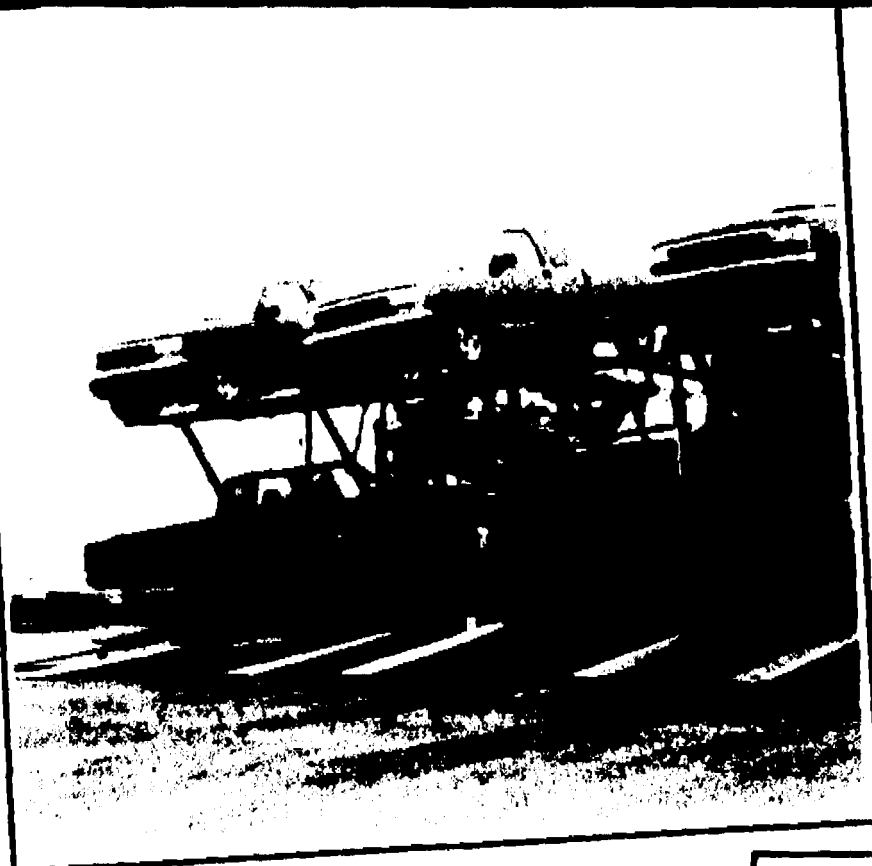
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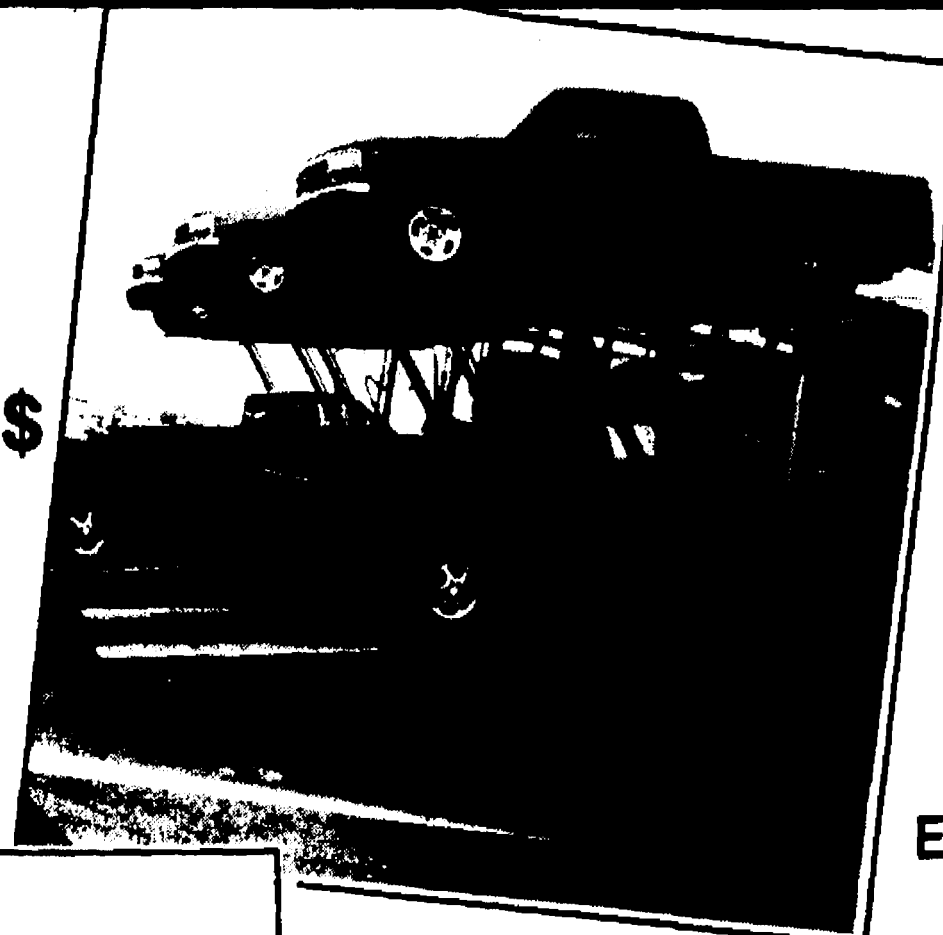
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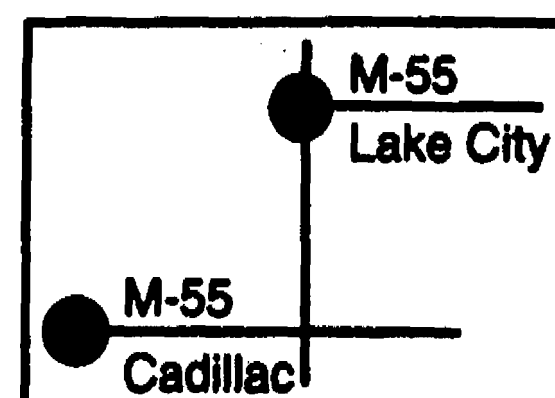
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Wellington Farm Park pruning demo well attended

Despite the threat of rain, Saturday morning found 49 interested area residents at Wellington Farm Park, taking part in a fruit tree pruning seminar. The seminar was presented by Mr. Jim Nugent from the Horticultural Research Station located in Leelanau County. The seminar was sponsored in part by the local office of the Michigan Cooperative Extension Service.

By utilizing fruit trees located at the park, Nugent was able to demonstrate a wide variety of pruning techniques ranging from very young dwarf trees to an orchard planted about the turn of the century and left abandoned for years.

Wellington Farm Park is a historical/environmental recreation center which will open to the public on May 25 of this year. Presently, the park is raising funds for additional buildings and facilities by offering lifetime memberships to local residents. Lifetime memberships sell for \$100 each and will be available only until June 15. Annual memberships are also available. Those interested in purchasing a membership to Wellington may call 348-5187, during business hours, for more information.



PRUNING FRUIT TREES -- Despite bad weather, 49 people attended the fruit tree pruning seminar at Wellington Farm Park. Jim Nugent, pictured above, presented the seminar.

Grayling Lions Club holds 21st White Cane sale

The Grayling Lions Club will begin its 21st White Cane sale on Friday, April 26 and Saturday, April 27.

Jim Kolka, chairman of White Cane Week, sold the first White Cane of the year to the City of Grayling Mayor, Robert Golnick.

Members of the Grayling Lions Club will be at the traffic lights in downtown Grayling, the post office, Glen's Markets and Kmart.

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Travelogue looks back at 'Early America'

A special film documentary on the early years of our country, "Early America," will soon be shown locally by Raphael Green at the Joseph Stripe Auditorium at Grayling High School, on Thursday, April 25, at 7:30 p.m.

Green's cameras captured the spirit of Early America as the entire Green family delved into history, riding back two centuries into the past.

It was a far cry from the ride of Paul Revere. The Greens rode through the "Colonies" in a fabulous motorhome, eating and sleeping at one historical site after another. This film depicts America's struggles and triumphs, many of them re-enacted. It appeals to young people and adults alike, because it makes history come to life, and everything seems real. The mist of legend is wiped away.

The rugged life of the first settlers of Jamestown and Plymouth is dramatically shown. Sturbridge Village country living is an improved lot, while Williamsburg is the goal for

many. The Saturday night dance at Williamsburg is in sharp contrast to the somber New England church meeting. Militiamen with guns are posted as a roll of drums signals the start of a three-hour sermon. Women are bonneted and tightly laced. An usher in black tails walks about with a long pole (squirrel tail attached to the end) to keep parishioners awake by tickling the noses of those who are nodding! Many found it more interesting to watch the usher than to listen to the preacher. Most of the congregation were in colonial dress, including two converted Penobscot Indians who were in native dress.

Here are a few of the historical sites visited, and some of the re-enactments performed in the film:

Jamestown; Plymouth; Sturbridge Village; Williamsburg; Colonial church service in York, Maine; a Colonial parade; a skirmish in the French and Indian War; covered

wagons; the actual casting of Liberty Bell at the Whitechapel Bell Foundry in London, England, where the original Liberty Bell was cast in 1752, to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the founding of the city of Philadelphia. A meeting of the Continental Congress as portrayed by the Baltimore Players; Faneuil Hall; a 200th anniversary service at the Old North Church in Boston, attended by the President of the United States; re-enactment of the Battle of Lexington; Concord Bridge; Bunker Hill; Fort Ticonderoga; Boston; Benedict Arnold's march through Maine to Quebec; The Second Continental Congress meeting; Cornwallis chasing Washington out of Brooklyn, up Manhattan Island and into New Jersey; Washington crossing the Delaware River in Durham boats in 5 degrees below zero weather with cakes of ice floating all around, the severe winter at Valley Forge; an encampment of Maryland Colonial troops prior to a battle; the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown, Virginia, and Surrender Field.

Green wears a Revolutionary War uniform, and brings with him a one-fifth size replica of the Liberty Bell, which he invites the audience to ring during intermission.

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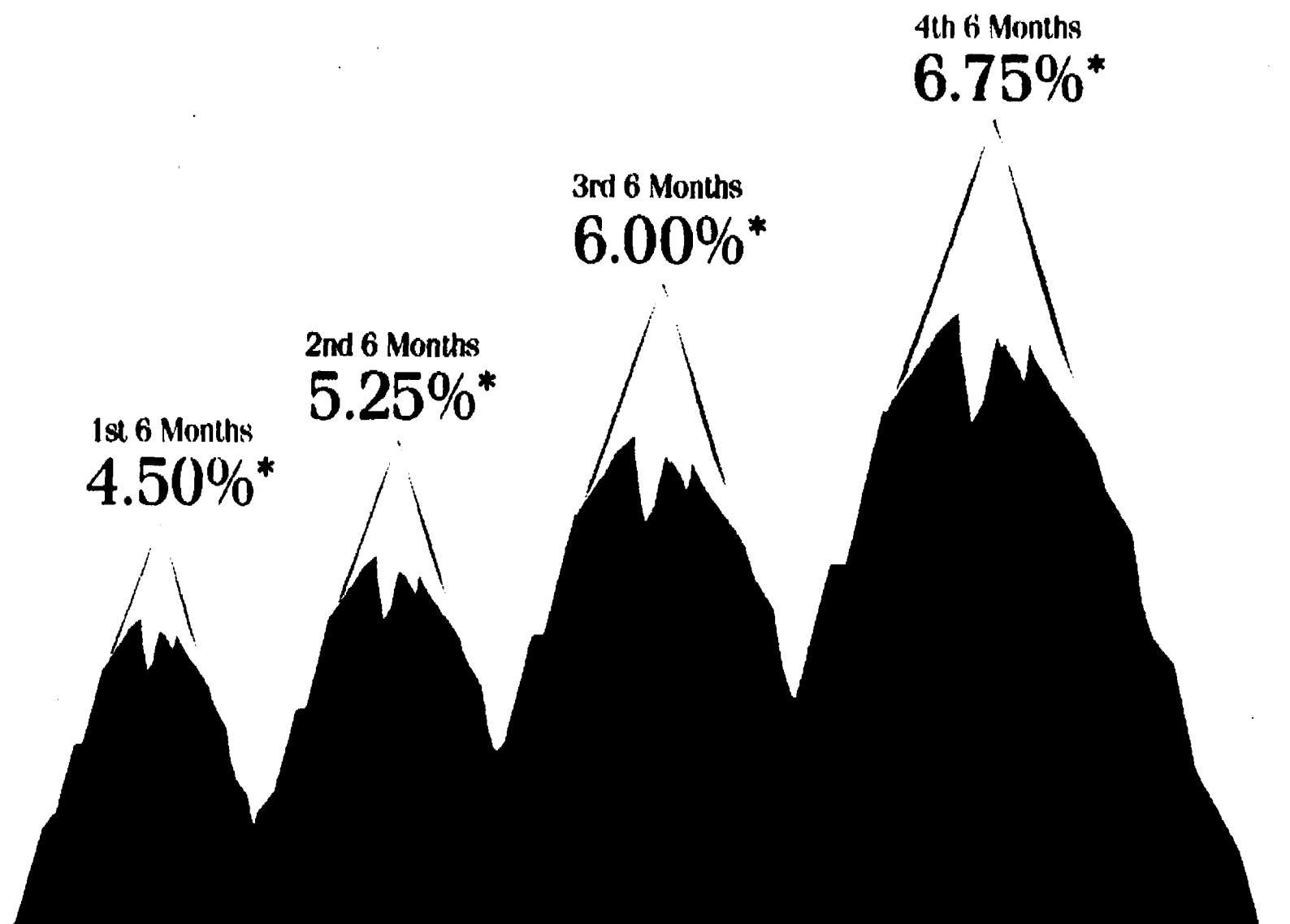
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Sneak peak of the Crawford Co. jail

Open house is planned for Wednesday, May 15, Law Enforcement Day

By Linda Sherwood
Staff Writer

Not a single bar can be found in the new Crawford County Jail. Inmates will be held in cells made of bullet-proof glass almost two inches thick.

"You can even put a sledge hammer to it," said Captain Michael Johnson, jail administrator. "It won't break."

The finishing touches are being put on the jail. The inmates uniforms have arrived. Dark blue with the words "Crawford County Jail" on the back of everything from women's night shirts to shirts. The kitchen will be up and running this week, the new commercial laundry area will be operational soon.

The opening of the jail, fully-operational, is still months away. The special electronic locks that will control every door in the facility are back-ordered. The locks are suppose to arrive in August, almost two years after the original order was placed.

The possibility of using temporary locks is being considered. Officials hope to have the temporary locks in place by June. This would allow renovation of the old jail area. Only the minimum-security and female cell blocks would be operational while using the temporary locks.

The female cell block will allow Crawford County to save \$35 a day for every female inmate. Currently, Crawford County does not have facilities to house female inmates. They are transferred to other county facilities, which costs the county \$35 a day. In March, 119 days were housed out to other counties, costing Crawford County over \$4,000.

The rooms inside the jail are oddly-shaped, providing maximum visibility of the entire jail area for anyone inside the control room. The jail is set up so as little as two people can operate the entire system. One correctional officer will control everything from inside the control room, including door locks, cameras, television stations and lights. The other officer will walk through the different cell blocks, checking on inmates.

"Television is a great disciplinary tool," said Johnson. The inmates behave in order to keep their television privilege. If they aren't watching television, the inmates would be elsewhere, possibly causing problems.

A television will be mounted in the day area of the cell blocks. The televisions will not be equipped with cable television and only the officer in the control room can change the channel. The officer can keep the television on educational stations, such as PBS. The officer can also have inmates watch educational tapes.

Visitors to the new jail will enter through a door by the river. Lockers and a coat rack are provided to store their belongings. The visitors will wait in a small lobby furnished with two wooden benches, similar to church pews. The correction officer inside the control room will talk to the visitor through an intercom system. A door release will allow the visitor into the visiting area.

All the doors in the facility are electronic, controlled by the corrections officer inside the control room. No one can get into the jail unless that officer allows them in. Everyone coming into the new facility will be on camera.

Visitors will not have any physical contact with inmates. Visits will be carried out through a glass window, using a telephone. This helps prevent contraband from entering the jail. The visiting area is clearly visible from inside the control room.

A break-room/storage area can also double as a line-up area. One-way mirrors installed in the door allows witnesses to identify suspects. This area also houses a space for lawyer/client conferences and Capt. Johnson's office.

Past this area is where the actual jail begins. At least three more locked doors stand between the visiting area and the cell blocks.

Inmates would enter the jail from the other side of the facility through a double-bay garage. Entering the building, the inmates and their escorts will follow a blue tile line down the middle of the hallway, passing the medical examination room, the laundry area and the kitchen. The blue tile line ends in the booking area.

The main room of the booking area can be easily secured. To the left are three cells. The first cell is a holding tank where prisoners being transported or waiting to be booked would stay.

The next two cells are drunk tanks, one of the drunk tanks is handicapped accessible, easily accommodating a wheelchair.

The floor of the booking area and tanks is covered with rubberized tile. Most of the fights occur in the booking area, according to Capt. Johnson. The rubberized tile will help prevent injuries.

The officer inside the control room can collect belongings and process the paperwork without the inmate ever seeing him. One-way glass surrounds the control room, preventing inmates from knowing the layout of the area. "No inmate will ever be in this room," said Johnson as he stands in the control room. Inmates are used to clean the entire jail and sheriff department, but officers will be responsible for keeping the control area clean.

The maximum-security cell block has a day area containing two tables with stools bolted down. Behind the tables are three cells, capable of holding one inmate each. Food chutes are in the door for inmates confined to their cell. A shower is visible, just off the day area. The concrete blocks are painted with a sealant rather than having a tiled shower.

Inside the cells, the bed and desk are bolted to the floor. The sink has a toilet seat angling off its base. The mirror is made of highly-polished steel. There is not any tile or floor covering in the maximum-security cells.

The minimum-security cell block can hold 20 inmates. There are five cells on the lower level, five on the second floor. Each of the cells are designed to hold two inmates. There is tile in the minimum-security cells. The coat hooks on the wall are designed to collapse when more than three pounds of pressure is applied. This prevents inmates from using the hooks to hang themselves.

The indoor/outdoor recreation area is the same room. Opening two large skylights in the roof allow the area to become an outdoor recreation area. The room does not have any windows that would offer the inmates a view of outside.

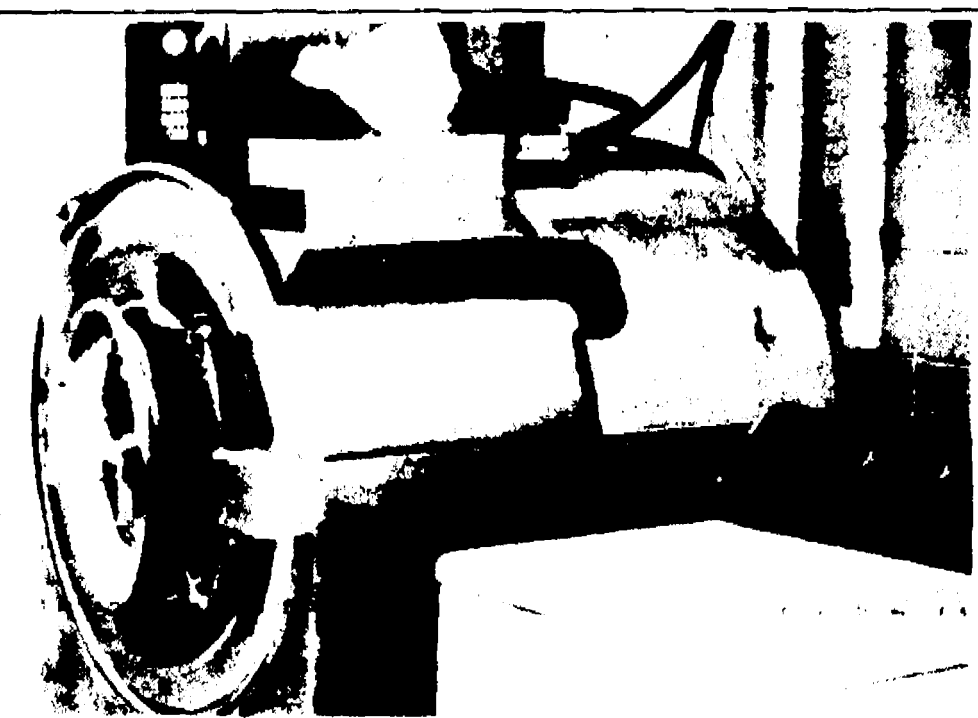
Inmates within the different cell blocks never mingle. Minimum-security inmates, such as trustees and work-release, will never have contact with

other inmates in minimum and maximum security. The minimum-security facility will be the old jail. This is another way to prevent contraband from entering the jail system.

Johnson is still trying to work out a part of the celebration of Law Enforcement Day.

attention to inmates in the jail, rather than taking the inmates outside the facility to receive care.

Officials hope to host an open house for the jail on Wednesday, May 15, as part of the celebration of Law Enforcement Day.



STEP INSIDE -- Jail Administrator Captain Mike Johnson steps inside one of the maximum-security cells in the top photo. Above is the new commercial washer next to the old dryer, which is being used until the new washer and dryer is installed. At bottom left is the sink and toilet found in every cell.

Gypsy moth population on the rise

According to aerial observations made by the DNR and the MDA, there was an increase in the number of acres of defoliation by the gypsy moth in 1995. This could indicate that the gypsy moth population in the county is on the upswing. Locally conducted egg-mass surveys also indicate that there may be more of the caterpillars around this summer.

Last summer's survey indicated that about 6,500 acres of Crawford County forests suffered moderate to severe defoliation. The majority of the affected acres were in Lovells Township. Other areas of significant defoliation occurred in both South Branch and Beaver Creek townships.

Because of the low population of

gypsy moth during the preceding two years, the Crawford County Commission discontinued their participation in the Department of Agriculture Gypsy Moth Suppression Program, thus ending the service of a local gypsy moth program director. Former director, Howard Taylor, has however made arrangements with an aerial applicator to spray forested areas under private contract. Spraying will be conducted under the same guidelines as were necessary under the old Department of Agriculture program. Residents who would like more information about gypsy moth control, may call 348-5187 during business hours. Contracts for private spray must be completed by May 1.



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GRAYLING PRIMARY HEALTH CARE
Is open to serve individual and family health care needs.

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NOTICE

**BE ON THE ALERT!
FOR ROAD PATCHING
CREWS & EQUIPMENT.**

Hunting & Fishing Weekly Update

Trout Season Opens Saturday!

The first turkey season is now under way. No reports so far about success, but there seem to be quite a few good-sized toms around the county. It could be the second or third seasons that are the good ones. No word on smelt yet, but the suckers are running on the Cut River between Higgins and Houghton Lakes. They should start on Portage Creek any day now. If the rain stays to a minimum this week, the rivers will be in good shape for the opener. The bait fishing should be great, and with some warm sun, we should see some good hendrickson hatches, also maybe some stone flies and black caddis. We'll keep our fingers crossed for good weather next weekend.

SKIP'S SPORT SHOP

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RIALTO

Fall & Winter Schedule
Shows at 7 & 9 Friday & Saturday
One show at 7:30 Sunday thru Thursday
Admission
Adults - \$4.00
Children under 12 - \$2.75

THIS WEEK'S FEATURE

Friday, April 26 to Thursday, May 2

"TWO THUMBS UP!"



'DYNAMITE ENTERTAINMENT'
Robbie Wygant, 1994

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**GRAYLING
ST. FRANCIS EPISCOPAL CHURCH**
M-72
Wed: 5:30 p.m.*

* Express Meeting

New members please
arrive 1/2 hour early
for registration.

As people vary, so does individual weight loss maintenance, and results fee for subsequent weeks \$10. Offer valid through May 11, 1996 at participating locations (Area 82) only. See representative for details. Offer is not valid with any other discount or special rate. One valid for new and returning members only. WEIGHT WATCHERS is a registered trademark of Weight Watchers International, Inc. © WEIGHT WATCHERS INTERNATIONAL, INC. 1996. All rights reserved.

LEGAL ACTION

LEGAL NOTICE

To The Owner or Owners of any and all interests in, or Liens upon the Lands herein described:

State of Michigan, County of Crawford, Township of Lovells.
Lots 277-278, Warblers Hideaway No. 2, according to the recorded plat thereof as recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Page 17, Crawford County Records.

TAKE NOTICE: Sale was lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes on that land, and that the undersigned has title to the land under tax deed or deeds issued for the land. You are entitled to a reconveyance of this within 6 months after return of service of this notice, upon payment to the undersigned or to the treasurer of the county in which the land is situated, of all sums paid for the tax sale purchase, together with 50% in addition, and the fees of the sheriff for the service or cost of publication of this notice. The service or publication costs shall be the same as if for personal service of a summons upon commencement of an action, together with a sum of \$5.00 for each description, without other additional costs or charge. If payment as described in this notice is not made, the undersigned will institute proceedings for possession of the land.

Amount necessary to redeem, \$709.15 taxes for 1992.
Signed: Bruce and Patrice Sommers
17401 Mahrie
Manchester, MI 48158

-11-18-25-2

LEGAL NOTICE

To The Owner or Owners of any and all interests in, or Liens upon the Lands herein described:

State of Michigan, County of Crawford, Township of Lovells.
Lots 277-287, Warblers Hideaway No. 2, according to the recorded plat thereof as recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Page 17, Crawford County Records.

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Amount necessary to redeem, \$761.07 taxes for 1992.
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Manchester, MI 48158

-11-18-25-2

Grayling Township Board Regular Meeting April 9, 1996

Members Present: Lynette Corlew, John Medler, Monica Ashton, Ruth O'Mara, Arnold Stancil. Members absent: None. Others present: Sandra Briney, Jim Briney, Terry Wright, Joe Godlewski, Vicki Creps, Nick Szajner. Meeting called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Supervisor Stancil.

Motion by O'Mara, support by Corlew, to approve minutes of March 12, 1996 as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

Treasurer's report for March 1996 was read and placed on file.

CORRESPONDENCE: (No action required)
Grayling Recreation Authority 2-21-96 minutes, C.C. Bd. of Commissioners meeting minutes 2-20-96 & 3-5-96, C.A. School District Board Happenings 3-18-96, 911 March Activity Report, Arthur Eron, Jr., letter in opposition to portable sawmill proposed for M-72 east of Grayling.

BUSINESS:
James Briney, Managing Director of The Road Commission For Crawford County, was present to update the Board on what is happening concerning the road system within this county. Public Act 51, the road funding law enacted in 1951, worked until the legislature placed a "cap" on the amount of money generated by the gasoline tax for road repairs. Michigan collects 15 cents per gallon compared with Connecticut at 34 cents per gallon. Neither do the Road Commissions receive money from the property tax levy at this point.

Michigan roads have been funded inadequately for over 12 years resulting in local roads not always being built to the highest standards. The state has avoided raising the gas tax by spending borrowed money instead. In order to avoid default on a few state road projects, the state has taken money away from road commissions and municipalities that normally would go to repairing local roads. Road commissions, cities, townships and villages are responsible for 92 percent of Michigan's road and bridge system. The state is responsible for only 8 percent.

Even with all the various road funding proposals currently before us, we have yet to see one that represents a net gain in sufficient revenue to meet the public's expectations, or to get the job done without incurring further debt. So far, these proposals will result in a net loss for road commissions and place an unfair tax burden on local units of government and their citizens.

Road Commissions want to see a return to all users of the road system, on a pay-as-you-go basis, through the gasoline tax, not the property tax. Competing proposals have called for the state to raise the tax on gasoline without the money going for roads, to have county boards help impose higher property taxes at the local level, and for the state to take away even more of the funding that has always been used to maintain and build the local roads.

Through all of this confusion the Crawford County Road Commission has figured out how to improve basic services, upgrade equipment and keep a sufficient work force intact, all within a balanced budget. They are also in a

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Briney encouraged the Township to develop a list of priority road projects for future use.

Motion by O'Mara, support by Corlew, to approve renewal of contract with Nu-Lawn (aka TruGreen-ChemLawn) for fertilization and weed control of Township Hall lawn for summer of 1996 and 1997 at same fee as 1995 season (\$295). Ayes: five, Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by O'Mara, support by Ashton, to authorize Township Board members or their designees and assessors to attend the May 22, 1996 Michigan Township Association Spring District Meeting at the Holiday Inn of Grayling. Ayes: four, Nays: Medler. Motion carried.

Corlew reported that a meeting was recently held regarding the possibility that the Department of Natural Resources is considering eliminating the firefighting division of the DNR and shifting that responsibility to local Townships. The matter will be researched further.

FY-1996-97 Office and Support Staff Salaries:

Motion by Corlew, support by O'Mara, that due to the increased workload created by passage of Proposal "A" and the additional skills required since computerization of the assessing department, that Curtis M. Marshall's salary be increased to \$25,000 per year beginning FY 1996-97. Ayes: five, Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by O'Mara, support by Corlew, to approve the following FY 1996-97 Office and Compactor salaries and hourly wages.

Teresa Furt: \$20,000.
Valerie Lehti: \$18,000.
Rae A. Schatz: \$7.35 per hour.
Stewart Rose: \$7.18 per hour.
Ayes: five, Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Corlew, support by Ashton, to approve Nancy Brook's request for \$10.00 per hour for custodial maintenance services four hours per week. Ayes: four, Nays: Medler. Motion carried.

Building Department Report written and placed on file.

Motion by O'Mara, support by Corlew, to approve payment of bills on vouchers 17583 through 17609, Election Inspectors fees of \$983.15, Board and Comm. fees of \$502, Guardian Dental \$305.95, Liquor Inspectors of \$180, for a grand total of \$44,777.30. Roll call: Ayes: five, Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn by Ashton, support by O'Mara. All ayes.
Monica S. Ashton, C.M.C.
Grayling Township Clerk.

GRAYLING TOWNSHIP BID REQUESTS

GRAYLING TOWNSHIP will be accepting bids for the following services beginning immediately.

1. Lawn-mowing (& raking if necessary) to be performed once every ten (10) days beginning this Spring through the Fall. Mower(s) & gasoline to be provided by the bidder.
2. Window cleaning, inside and out, this Spring and next Fall. Ladders and cleaning supplies to be provided by the bidder.
3. Annual Carpet Cleaning - Spring, 1996. Cleaning of approximately 4,000 sq. ft. of wool carpeting. The carpet cleaning must be done on a weekend to limit interruptions to business operations.

Bidders are required to submit proof of insurance along with their bids.

Bidding will close at 4:30 pm on Monday, May 7, 1996, and bids will be considered by the Grayling Township Board at its regular board meeting on May 14, 1996.

Bids should be delivered to the township hall or faxed to (517) 348-6713 or mailed to, Grayling Township, P.O. Box 521, Grayling, MI 49738.

The Grayling Township Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids. If further information is required, please stop at the township hall or telephone (517) 348-4361.

-4-11-18-25

NOTICE

Northern Michigan Substance Abuse Services, Inc., is seeking proposals for the provision of the following substance abuse services in the counties of Alcona, Alpena, Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Crawford, Emmet, Grand Traverse, Iscoo, Kalkaska, Lake, Leelanau, Mason, Missaukee, Montmorency, Oceana, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle and Wexford for the year beginning October 1, 1996 through September 30, 1997:

Short Term Residential Services
Long Term Residential Services
Central Diagnostic and Referral Services

Northern Michigan Substance Abuse Services, Inc. is seeking proposals for the provision of the following substance services in the counties of Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet, Grand Traverse, Kalkaska and Leelanau for the year beginning October 1, 1996 through September 30, 1997.

Outpatient Counseling Services
Prevention Services

For Request for Proposal packets please contact: Northern Michigan Substance Abuse Services, Inc., 1685 West M-32, Baraga Building, P.O. Box 1278, Gaylord, MI 49735, (517) 732-1791. Please verify the packet(s) you wish to receive (Residential, Outpatient and Prevention, or Central Diagnostic and Referral).

Proposals are due to Northern Michigan Substance Abuse Services not later than 4 pm on May 20, 1996.

Federal and state funding has been provided to support in the project costs.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Dennis M. Pries
Executive Director

the treasurer of the county in which the land is situated, of all sums paid for the tax sale purchase, together with 50% in addition, and the fees of the sheriff for the service or cost of publication of this notice. The service or publication costs shall be the same as if for personal service of a summons upon commencement of an action, together with a sum of \$5.00 for each description, without other additional costs or charge. If payment as described in this notice is not made, the undersigned will institute proceedings for possession of the land.

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Signed: Bruce and Patrice Sommers
17401 Mahrie
Manchester, MI 48158

-11-18-25-2

Frederic Township Board Regular Meeting April 9, 1996

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Hulbert at 7:02 p.m. Members present: Hulbert, Bindschadel, McLeod, Harmer and Sajdak. There were five citizens present.

Harmer made motion, seconded by McLeod, to accept minutes of March 12, 1996, motion carried.

Harmer made motion, seconded by Sajdak, to accept treasurer's report and approve vouchers #13142-13190 in the amount of \$10,344.81, and voucher #1111 in the amount of \$172.80, motion carried.

No citizens wished to speak.

REPORTS:

—Fire Department: There were four runs in March. Chief Wallace requested permission to dispose of old equipment not being of service anymore. He is to ask for bids. Equipment being: generator, pump and motor, old radios from trucks.

Harmer made motion, seconded by Bindschadel to offer T.B. and Tompau for Fire Department personnel, motion carried.

Harmer made motion, seconded by Sajdak to allow up to \$1,000 for new compressor, motion carried.

Chief to follow thru on Dry Hydrant projects.

—Library: Circulation—304, Statistics—242.

McLeod made motion, seconded by Harmer to allow up to \$350 to renovate bathroom walls and paint library entrance, motion carried. Sajdak and RoseAnn Owens to check on and report back to board.

CORRESPONDENCE

—AuSable River Watershed Restoration Committee, April 25, 1996.

—Crawford Community Land Use Coalition Steering Committee: 4/29 and 5/6/96. Sajdak to represent Frederic Township with Hulbert as alternate.

—NEMCOG: County Recreation Plan: Check on State property for snowmobile parking and possible ball park repairs.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Due to non-cooperation, roadside refuse pickup may be discontinued.

NEW BUSINESS

—Township Garage: No action taken at this time.

—Township Hall Basement (Deposit) Sajdak made motion, seconded by McLeod to charge \$25 deposit for use of Township Hall. Barb Verhulst to check on the cleanliness of same. Monday thru Fridays before refunding deposit and Fire Department personnel to check on Saturdays, four ayes, one nay, motion carried.

—Civil Rights Policy: Sajdak made motion, seconded by McLeod to adopt Policy, motion carried.

Sajdak made motion, seconded by Harmer to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.
Nancy L. Bindschadel, Clerk

Custom Rubber Stamps available at the AVALANCHE

SYNOPSIS Lovells Township Regular Board Meeting April 9, 1996

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Board members present were Schaible, Doby and Haberland. Absent were Fuchs and Hopp. These citizens were also in attendance.

Minutes of the 3-12-96 regular and special meeting were accepted. Bills in the amount of \$13,482.70 in the General Fund, \$7,574.81 in the Fire Fund, \$613.83 in the Landfill Fund, \$232.29 in the Liquor Fund and \$37.45 in the Library Fund were approved to be paid.

The treasurer's report was accepted and

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

Default has been made by Thomas H. Stampf and Penny S. Stampf, as mortgagor, to Grayling State Bank, as mortgagee, on a Mortgage dated October 11, 1991, and recorded on October 15, 1991 at Liber 331, Pages 620-623 of the Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due and unpaid as of March 20, 1996 the sum of \$20,892.01 in principal and \$907.29 interest; no legal or equitable proceedings having been instituted to recover the debt, or any part of the debt, secured by the Mortgage, and the power of sale in the Mortgage contained having become operative by reason of the default.

Notice is now given that on WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 1996, AT 11:00 A.M. at the front door of the Courthouse in the City of Grayling, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, there will be offered

RECORD OF CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS Meeting held on March 25, 1996

Meeting called to order by Mayor Golnick at 7:30 p.m. Members present: Stevens, Golnick, Ruddy, Akers. Members absent: Moskier*. Also in attendance: Jerry W. Morford, City Manager, Kay Ellen King, Judy Morford, Linda Sherwood. Moved by Stevens, supported by Akers that the minutes of the meeting of March 11, 1996, be approved as presented. Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Absent: 1, motion carried.

Citizens who wish to speak: None.

Communications were received and noted.

January 1996 Finance Report.

February 1996 Finance Report.

March 5, 1996 County Board Minutes.

March 13, 1996 Emergency Services Council Minutes.

*Moskier now present.

GUDA & GPA Membership requests. Moved by Stevens, supported by Akers that the City decline offer for membership in GUDA & GPA due to the fact they are both members of the Chamber of Commerce and the city supports the Chamber and all other community groups by use of city resources to assist in community activities as needed. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

M.M.L. re: Annual Meeting on Mackinac Island September 26-28, 1996. Mayor Golnick will attend.

Cable TV letters and requests from Vassar Reddick & Howlett.

Moved by Golnick, supported by Stevens to pay February 1996 rate regulation group bill and resign from group effective April 1, 1996 due to recent developments in federal law and FCC rules. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

Old Business. None.

New Business.

Resolution honoring Karl Golnick for 30 years service on the Grayling Fire Department.

Moved by Golnick, supported by Akers that WHEREAS, KARL GOLNICK became a member of the Grayling City and Township Fire Department on March 21, 1966, and

WHEREAS, he has served with distinction for thirty (30) years as a Volunteer Fireman, and

WHEREAS, he has regularly attended weekly department meetings, training sessions and work details, and

WHEREAS, he has given of himself and his time in faithful service to his community, and

WHEREAS, he has achieved the rank of Captain in said department.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Grayling that they hereby express their appreciation to KARL GOLNICK for thirty (30) years of dedicated service to the citizens of Grayling and Grayling Township.

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

Rescheduled April 8, 1996 Council Meeting to April 15th. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

Moved by Moskier, supported by Stevens to change the regular April 8th Council Meeting to April 15th. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

Reports of City Manager. None.

Reports of Council Members.

Mr. Golnick brought in an article from the Traverse City Record Eagle on March 24, 1996.

Moved by Golnick, supported by Moskier that the City Manager be directed to send a letter to the Editor in rebuttal of article in the Record Eagle on March 24, 1996 reference Camp Grayling. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

Adjournment.

Moved by Golnick, supported by Moskier that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Jerry W. Morford
City Manager & City Clerk

correspondence placed on file.

Fire Chief reported one run, Zoning Administrator issued four permits and zoning board and zoning board of appeals met April 1, 1996. Zoning Board reviewed the updated zoning manual and approved the changes, March Liquor Inspectors report filed.

Motion approved to support the application by the Crawford County Road Commission for funding of site enhancement at the Twinline Road Bridge over the West Branch of Big Creek.

Motion approved to hold white goods cleanup on Saturday June 8, 1996 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Discussion on hiring inside maintenance for town hall.

Request to enlarge baseball diamond by fire department granted.

Motion to adjourn at 7:25 p.m.

Cheryl Hopp
Lovells Township Clerk

for sale and sold to the highest bidder, at public sale, for the purpose of satisfying the amounts due and unpaid on the Mortgage, together with the legal costs and charges of sale, including an attorneys fee as provided by law and in the Mortgage, the land and premises mentioned and described in the Mortgage as follows:

All that part of the West 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the West 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of the southeast 1/4 of Section 15, Town 26 North, range 2 West, lying North of M-72, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan.

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of the sale (MSA 23A.3240 (8)).

Property may be redeemed by paying the amount of the bid at the foreclosure sale plus interest and any unpaid encumbrances on the property from date of sale.

Dated: 3/27/96

David R. Sabin, P.C.
Attorney for Mortgagee

115 Michigan Avenue
Grayling, Michigan 49738

(517) 348-5588

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NOTICE

In cooperation and coordination with the Michigan Department of Transportation and area road commissions, weight restrictions imposed on February 22, 1996, will be lifted on Thursday, April 25, 1996 at 6 a.m.

This notice applies to all county primary and local roads, within the jurisdiction of The Road Commission For Crawford County.

James Briney

NOTICE

Sealed bids will be accepted by the Crawford AuSable School District for the removal of the buildings/structures situated on the property located at 405 Chestnut Street and 406 Spruce Street, Grayling. The bids must be received on or before 4 pm, April 30, 1996, at 403 E. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738. The conditions of bid are available at the same address.

-18-25

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PUBLIC NOTICE OF HERBICIDE PROGRAM

The Michigan Department of Transportation hereby provides public notice of the 1996 Herbicide Application Program on the roadside rights-of-way within Crawford County.

Applications will be made for control of (1) vegetation in front of guardrails, (2) noxious and broadleaf weeds in turf areas, and (3) woody vegetation (brush) within clear zones. All applications will be ground or foliar applied by vehicular mounted, fixed boom or hand gun, equipment. The following herbicides will be tank mixed for each application:

Guardrail: Round-up (Glyphosate); Karmex (Diuron); Oust (Sulfometuron Methyl).

Weed: Votren 720 (Dimethylamine Salt of Dicamba and 2, 4-Dichlorophenoxyacetic Acid) and Telar (Chlorsulfuron).

Weed on X-ways: Telar (Chlorsulfuron); Amine 4 (2, 4-Dichlorophenoxyacetic acid).

Brush: Garlon 4 (Triclopyr) and Weedar 64 (2, 4-Dichlorophenoxyacetic Acid).

A surfactant, City-Plus or Cide-Kickor Cadco 90, will be used with all applications. A drift control agent, 41-A or more, will also be used as needed in all spraying operations.

LOCATIONS: Spraying operations may take place anywhere along the state highways within the county.

DATES: Guardrail treatment may take place between May 1, 1996 and July 1, 1996. Weed treatment may take place between May 1, 1996 and August 1, 1996. Brush treatment may take place between September 1, 1996 and October 31, 1996.

All applications will be made by Certified applicators, employed by the Michigan Department of Transportation. For further information contact: Lee Sherwood, Resource Specialist, MI Department of Transportation, 3022 South US-23, Alpena, MI 49707, phone: (517) 356-2231.

This notice is published per Regulation 637 Act 171, Public Acts of 1976, as amended.

REQUEST FOR BIDS CRAWFORD COUNTY JAIL FOOD SERVICE

Crawford County is requesting bid proposals for food services to the inmates of the Crawford County Jail.

SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS:

1. Provide food service to the inmates of the county jail consistent with the requirements of the Michigan Department of Corrections and the Crawford County Sheriff's Office.
2. Kitchen facilities, and utilities may be provided for said operations by Crawford County.

FEES/COMPENSATION:

1. The provider shall charge the county a flat rate for each meal served in the jail.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

1. It is requested that the term of any agreement resulting from this request for bids shall be for a period of one (1) year, with a two (2) year option.
2. The County of Crawford reserves the right to reject any and all bids received as a result of this request for bids. And further notes, that the county is not limited to accept the "lowest" bid.

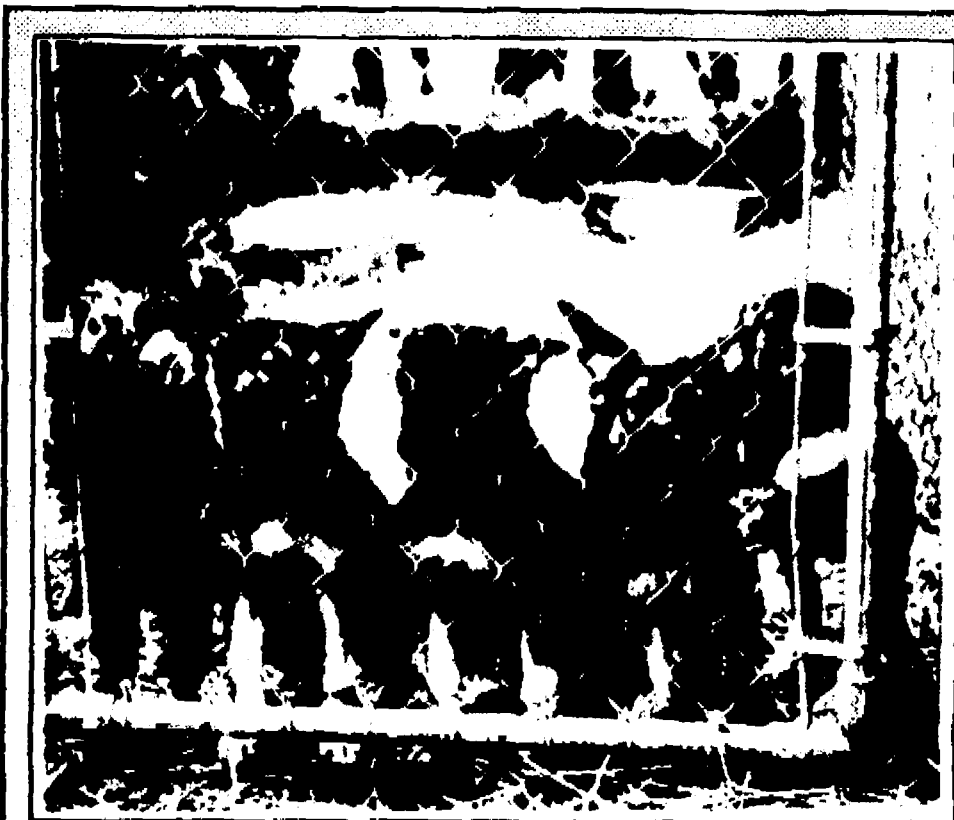
SUBMISSION OF BIDS:

Sealed bids

FACTS AND FEATURES

YOUR HOROSCOPE

Forecast For: April 28 - May 4, 1996	
ARIES March 21-April 19	Hard work never hurt anyone. Sound familiar? Follow Granny's advice and get to it!
TAURUS April 20 - May 20	Stress can be reduced by revising your diet and increasing your physical exercise. Work it out of your system.
GEMINI May 21 - June 20	Private information should not be shared. Keep secrets confidential and you will have a friend for life.
CANCER June 21 - July 22	Romance can be disappointing if you are examining only the facade. Look within to find the real treasure.
LEO July 23 - Aug 22	Don't give up on finding your soul-mate. He or she is out there, you may have just passed him by.
VIRGO Aug 23 - Sept 22	An emergency arises that requires your immediate attention. Forgo any immediate travel plans.
LIBRA Sept 23 - Oct 22	Check the competition before making any decisions. One who appears to be your ally may in fact be undermining your efforts.
SCORPIO Oct 23 - Nov 21	You will need to do some probing to determine what is causing your frustrations. Be honest with yourself.
SAGITTARIUS Nov 22 - Dec 21	Good time to close an important deal. Don't procrastinate. Demonstrate your authority.
PISCORN Dec 22 - Jan 19	Pessimistic views will harbor discontent. Try to be more positive in your attitude and others will notice.
AQUARIUS Jan 20 - Feb 18	You may be taking your mate for granted. Show him or her that you really do care...before it's too late.
PISCES Feb 19 - March 20	Don't expect praise and accolades for merely doing your job. You need to put forth a little more effort.



SHEPHERD/HUSKY PUPPIES NEED HOMES--
These shepherd/huskey puppies and their malamute mom are all looking for new homes. The puppies are 13 weeks old. Mom is approximately two years old. If you would like to give them a home, or any of the other animals at the shelter, stop by the Animal Shelter of Crawford County, or give them a call at 348-4117.

PET CARE TIPS

It is an old myth that cats will suck the breath from sleeping infants, says the Humane Society of the United States. However, curious by nature, a cat may want to climb into the crib to see what new creature her family has brought home. She may feel a little jealous, so lavish lots of attention on your pet to reassure her that she is still an important part of the family.

WEEKEND CROSSWORD

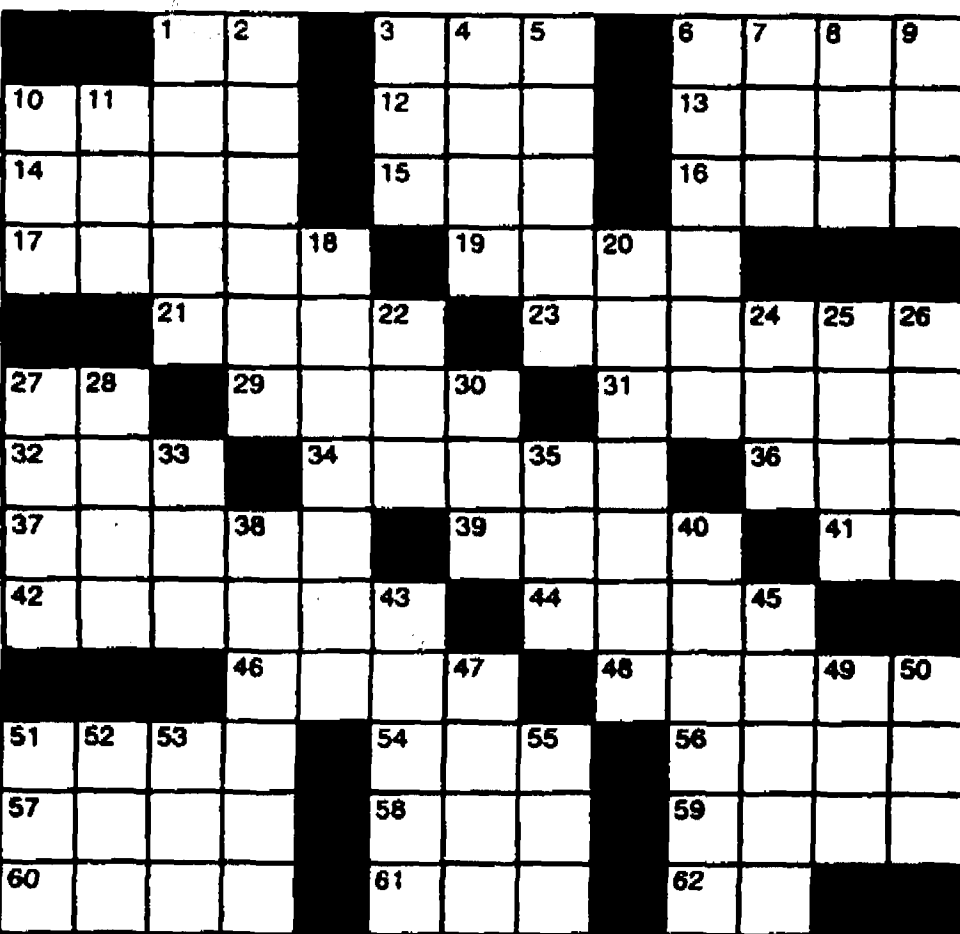
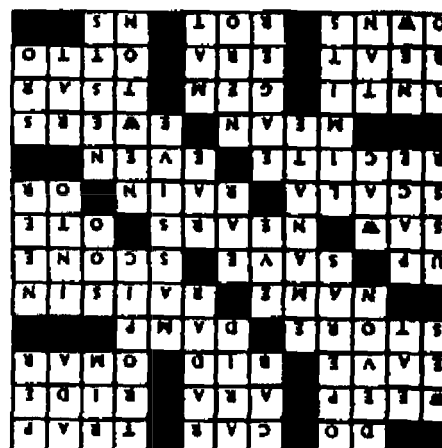
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3. Vehicle
6. Snare
10. Cry softly
12. Brazil parrot
13. Short auto trip
14. Part of house
15. Offer
16. Persian poet
17. Put away
19. Moist
21. Title
23. Dried grape
27. Newspaper service
29. Rescue
31. Rich
32. Observed
34. Approaches
36. Denoting origin, suffix
37. La __, opera house
39. Precipitation
41. Either __
42. Recount
44. Revenged
46. Cruel
48. Pitchers
51. Opposing
54. Jewel
56. Russ. ruler
57. Overcome

DOWN

58. Age
59. Ger. king
60. Possesses
61. Decay
62. Ned Sparks, init.
1. Eng. county
2. Aida and Tosca
3. Taxi
4. Dry
5. Detecting device
6. __ of Cancer
7. Edge
8. Town in Ohio
9. Via
10. __ Montgomery
11. Dine
18. Come forth
20. Huge
22. Night before
24. River rapids

THIS WEEK'S PUZZLE ANSWERS



two years ago. The box, found hidden in the bushes, is on display at the Post Office now.

C. T. Jerome takes his place today in the office of the Grayling Dowel Co., as secretary and treasurer.

It looks like old times to see H. Joseph located in the old Opera House, where he was in the early 90s for several years.

The Grayling Band, under the efficient leadership of E. G. Clark, who has been engaged for another year, went to Frederic Monday evening, to assist John Rasmusson in the inauguration of his new hotel.

N. Michelson brought in from Chicago last week, a carload of fat cattle to be butchered for their camps. James Jorgenson has the foundation in for a fine new house on the corner west of the Lutheran Church.

LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

26 years ago

April 26, 1973

Five Michigan newspapers, radio and television stations, and a school district, all won coveted MEA School Bell Awards recently for their "outstanding contributions to community understanding of education."

The second year in a row, the Crawford County Avalanche has been named as one of the weekly newspapers to receive this award. The Avalanche was also the recipient of the award in 1968.

Three youth bowlers, all 1973 high school graduates, have been named to represent Michigan in the Youth bowling championships, sponsored by the National Bowling Council, after the completion of the final event held for graduating seniors only, at Thunderbowl Lanes in Park, April 1, 7 and 8.

A 117-average bowler, Linda Lauder from Legion Lanes in Grayling, topped the pins to win the Girls handicap division with a total series of 1,439 on games of 175, 120, 134, 133, 112, 129, 154 and 140, plus a handicap of 312 pins. She will be a graduate of Crawford AuSable High school.

Maggie Leverton celebrated her 75th birthday on April 17, at her home. She had several visitors calling on her during the day. On Saturday morning, Maggie suffered a slight heart attack and is at home confined to her bed for the time being.

Steven Nielson left for his new duty station at Anchorage, Alaska, where he will be stationed with the Air Force following about a two-week furlough spent with his parents, the Melvin Nielsons.

Pfc. Russell Papendick is spending a 10-day leave with his family, the Clarence Papendicks. He is stationed at San Diego, California.

Mrs. Walker Truetner attended the commencement exercises at Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo Saturday, April 21, in which her daughter, Jane Ann Patchak, received her master's degree in anthropology.

The Art Wiedeman family spent Easter weekend in the Redford area visiting relatives and helped her mother, Mrs. Sadie Brady, celebrate her 84th birthday on Easter Sunday.

Studded tires must be removed by May 1, from motor vehicles traveling Michigan highways, the Department of State Highways reminds motorists.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Weaver announce the sale of Weaver's Gift Shop to their son and wife, Bill and

Jean Weaver. The shop will open this weekend under the new management.

The Grayling Research Station received 10,000 Atlantic salmon eggs from Sweden last Wednesday. According to Dave MacLean, biologist at the station, they are of the gullspang strain, which is being depleted in Sweden due to the power dams. They are totally a fresh-water salmon, he said, and are new to the United States.

46 years ago

April 27, 1950

The Grayling Bottling Company has established a warehouse branch in Manson, as a distributing point for Cadillac and western territory, according to Carl Strobel, company owner. Clifton Papendick took over the branch management on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hoerl announced the first of the week, the sale of Hoerl's Tavern located just south of Grayling on US-27, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Legner of Grayling.

Acting Postmaster James Post announced effective May 1, that mail delivery will be reduced to once a day, on orders from the Post Office Department. There will be two deliveries a day in the business district.

Eighty Grayling Viking athletes, their fathers, Viking cheerleaders, their mothers and guests gathered at the high school Monday evening for the annual awards banquet. Former Grayling Coach Willard Cornell acted as toastmaster.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Parsons of Royal Oak, spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Parsons.

Henry Verlinde went smelt fishing in the Upper Peninsula with a party of relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kovach were again hosts at one of their famous dinner parties Wednesday evening, the affair being a surprise party on Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hoerl, Mr. and Mrs. Don Weaver and Mr. and Mrs. Rolla Pelling. The Hoerls having sold their business and the Weavers and Pelling were observing their wedding anniversaries, the former their 12th and the latter their 19th.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Wood have their gift shop open for business. They have a fine line of gifts besides beautiful rugs for sale.

The Pochelon boys, Shots and Bud, spent the weekend at "Fighting Deer," their summer home.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Koornike of Ann Arbor, were up last week making ready their cabin on Big Creek for the summer season. Bill Koornike is

preparing to open up the AuSable Dairy Bar this weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Howard moved into the Mary Bindschattel house. Welcome to Frederic folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Sorenson left for Detroit Monday, to attend a convention of funeral directors.

The Grayling Fire Department was called out last Thursday at around 9 a.m. to extinguish a fire in a state car, driven by George Blake and parked in front of the House of Smiggens (formerly Dukes).

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Moshier are proud over the arrival of a daughter on April 22. She has been named Carla Jean Marie, and weighed 9 pounds, 14 ounces. Mr. and Mrs. Herluf Sorenson and Mrs. Hattie Moshier are the happy grandparents.

Fred Bear has returned home after spending a number of days in Chicago, on business for the Archery Company.

Dr. and Mrs. B. E. Henig and daughters, Janet and Gretchen, left for Detroit last Wednesday, where little Gretchen underwent surgery at Children's Hospital.

Our soda bar is now open. Jerrie's Ranch.

The Hinkles are very busy these days getting their tavern ready to open up this weekend for the trout season.

Gene Harmer, George Lodge, Morden Post and Bob Weaver went to Cheboygan smelt fishing and got lost in a swamp. Gene says he got six smelt. George Lodge fell in and really got wet.

69 years ago

April 28, 1927

An exhibition of American pottery is being sponsored by the Grayling Women's Club at the Temple Theater on May 3 and 4, as a feature of Better Homes Week. The committee in charge is as follows: Mrs. A. J. Joseph, chairman; Mrs. E. A. Mason, Mrs. C. J. McCann, Mrs. Paul Hendrie, Mrs. Roy O. Milnes and Mrs. C. J. McNamara. Twenty-nine Grayling business firms will also have exhibits at the showing.

Three hundred danced to the music of the Florida Pelicans at the Annual Junior Prom last weekend. The Pelicans are under the fine direction of Emerson Brown, a former Grayling boy.

Jess Schoonover is putting in a new foundation for a new and modern garage and service station on the corner of Ogemaw and Cedar. William Moshier is building a new garage on

the opposite corner also. These gentlemen expect to have their places open for business in June.

Dr. C. R. Keyport left for Bay City Wednesday, called there by the serious illness of his father.

N. C. Corwin, Chris Hoesli and Carl Hanson were in Saginaw Monday, driving home three new Essex cars.

Esbern Hanson fell from a step ladder at his cottage at Lake Margrethe Saturday afternoon, breaking his right arm near the shoulder.

94 years ago

May 1, 1902

The grading of the Court House lawn is nearly completed.

Fred Harrington, while repairing a car on the Lewiston Y a few days ago, found the cash box deserted by the thieves who blew the Post Office safe

LOCAL WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling



Date	High	Low	Precip.	Extended forecast courtesy of the U.S. Weather Service in Gaylord: Wednesday will be mostly cloudy in the morning, turning partly sunny in the afternoon. The highs will be in the mid 50s. There is a chance of showers on Thursday and Friday. Thursday's highs will be in the mid 50s, with the lows in the 30s, and Friday's highs will be in the mid 50s, with the lows in the 40s. Saturday will be dry, with the highs in the 50s, and the lows of 35 to 40.
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JUST OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS - This maintenance-free brick exterior home has 1,144 sq. ft., two bedrooms, one bath, plaster walls with covered ceilings, brick fireplace, white doors and headliner, all appliances, a spacious 20x24 living room, 9x10 workshop, 13x18 deck and several mature red pines. \$94,999. CH-366



ENJOY QUIET RELAXING SURROUNDINGS on 3.5 acres with hundreds of state land across the road. This three bedroom, two bath offers 1,152 sq. ft., master suite has a whirlpool tub. Recently remodeled with new floor and wall coverings. Gasline dish and controls stay, plus antenna with booster and intercom from house to garage. \$94,999. CH-327



SPACIOUS REMODELED FARM HOUSE - Four bedrooms, one bath home with replacement vinyl windows down and Andersen's up. Spacious front and rear yard, garden area, dog kennel, Mac bushes, flower beds, two apple trees, white pine, blue spruce and maples. Barn with power and a 24x24 garage. Home remodeled in 1990. Attached wooded and partial basement. \$93,999. CH-351



LARGE FAMILY HOME in the city! 2,030 sq. ft., 4-5 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths with very spacious rooms, full basement, natural gas heat, city water/sewer. Nice corner lot with 2-car garage. \$61,999. CS-192



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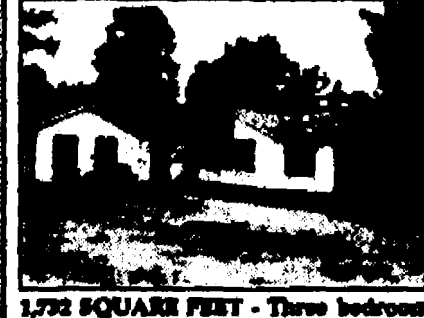
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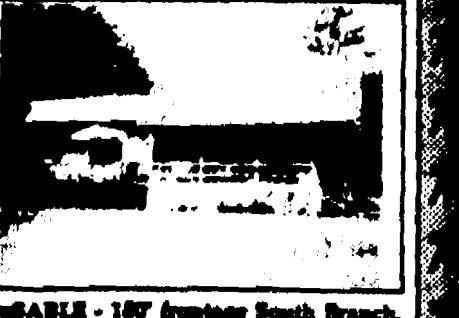
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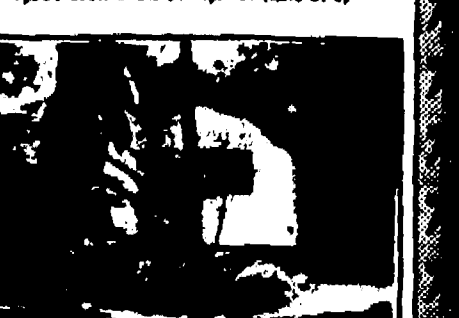
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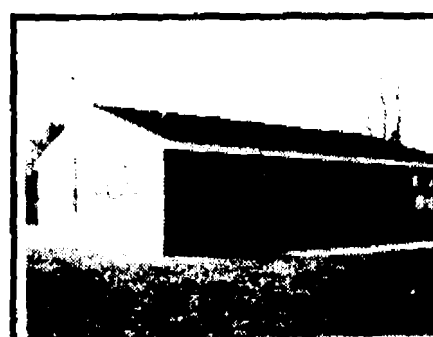
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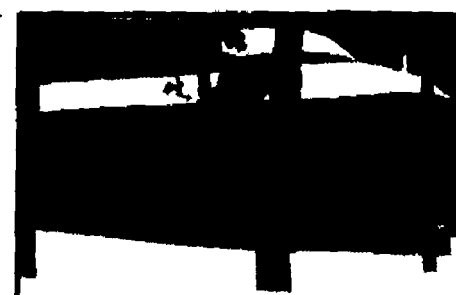
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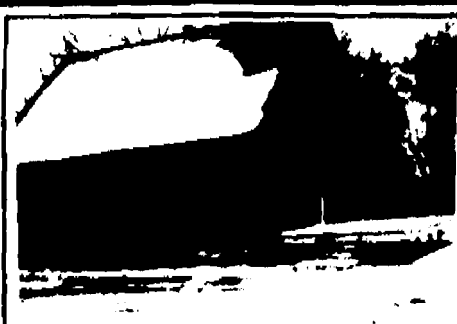
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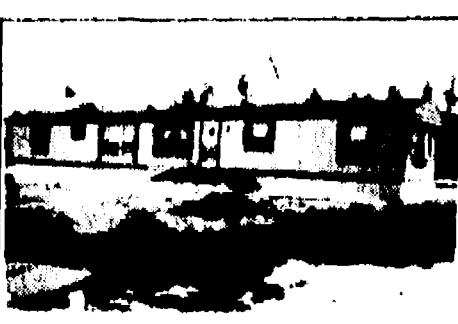
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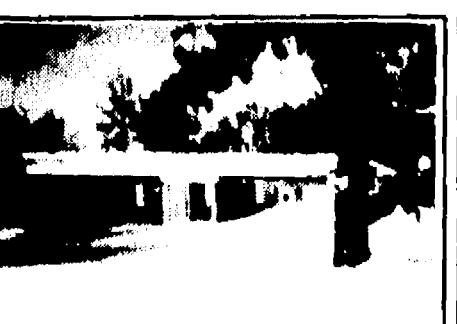
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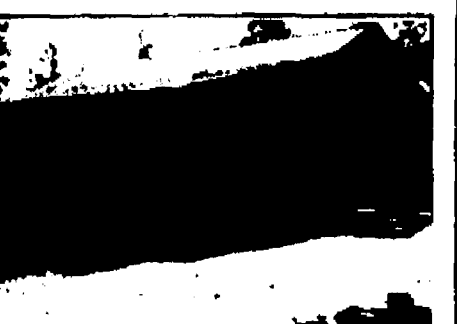
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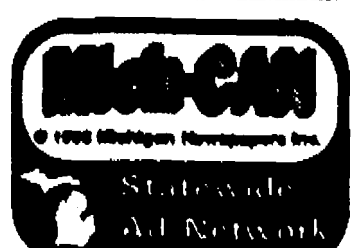
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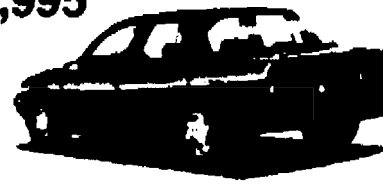
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Jacot is the son of Pamela S. Jacot of Vassar, and Scot S. Jacot of Grayling.

Notice of Elections

Grayling Eagles Auxiliary 3465

will be holding elections for the offices of Madam President, Trustees, and Delegates to state convention at their regular meeting on Thursday, May 2, at 7 pm



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